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PICKS and SHOVELS

By O. E. POTTER

England Too Has Its Road Show

In November there was held in the Royal Agricultural Hall in London a Public Works, Roads and Transport Congress and Exhibition which proved to be a great success. Similar to our A. R. B. A. Convention and Road Show, the Congress and Exhibit included an acceptance of the congress and discontinuous a

A. R. B. A. Convention and Road Show, the Congress and Exhibit included an interesting program of papers and discussions as well as giving those attending an opportunity to observe the latest developments in road building equipment and materials.

As F. Wilkinson, President of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers puts it, in true British fashion, in Roads and Road Construction, "The combination of Congress and exhibition is exceptionally useful, since the latter often provides practical illustrations of matters discussed in the conference hall, while discussions are stimulated by ideas derived from a tour of the stands."

The 1935 Roads Congress and Exhibition in England is reported as successful as any ever held. Let's make our A.R.B.A. Road Show even more so!

Orders Is Orders

Quarry Superintendent Steves and lowderman Wilson for the production of stone for the Los Angeles breakwa-er had orders to furnish stone in big hunks. Taking them at their word, hunks. Taking them at their word, bey established a quarry record by pro-ucing one boulder weighing 5,000 ons, according to a story in the Ex-dosives Engineer. Attacking this mon-ter, the block-holers reduced this to everal boulders of from 20 to 30 tons. Soon after this blast was set off, (Continued on page 23)

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Chiseling Helps on Repaying Job

Parker-Schram Co. Devised Remove Tracks and Ties in Portland, Ore.

By HENRY W. YOUNG

AN interesting problem of track re-A moval was encountered by the Parker-Schram Co. of Portland, Ore., mile, of paving in the downtown section of that city, known as the Ash St.-Jefferson St. Unit of the Fourth Avenue Section of the Pacific Highway in Portland. What had once been the tracks of the Southern Pacific Pailroad were of the Southern Pacific Railroad were buried beneath the street surface, the ties being embedded in concrete, the latter to remain, however, for the foundation of the new pavement.

The removal of a 4-inch wood block

pavement and a 1-inch cement grout cushion on the sides of the street, taken up by means of forks and a skimmer-rigged Type 207 P & H diesel, exposed the concrete foundation and a narrow dummy strip of Belgian blocks on each side of the rail. When the blocks were removed by pavement breakers and skimmer the rails were left in the clear on one side. They were then lifted by the skimmer rig and laid by the curb, to be taken away by truck later.

Excavating for Ties

Next, the surface between rails and between tracks was broken and skimmed off to the level of the ties. The latter, embedded as they were in 6 to 8 inches of concrete, ends as well as sides, seemed to call for a time-eating job of removal. It was accomplished, however, without excessive loss of time by chiseling out one end of each tie for a distance of 10 to 12 inches. This permitted of a flat bladed hook being driven under the end of the tie with a couple of blows of a sledge. The hook, attached to a heavy chain, was suspended from the teeth (Continued on page 23)

Tractors and Dump Wagons Build Charles Mill Dam

(Photos on page 32)

CHARLES MILL DAM, of the chain of flood control and conservancy dams now under construction in the dams now under construction in the Muskingum Conservancy District, is located near Mansfield and Ashland, Ohio, on the Black Fork, tributary of the Mohican River. The Charles Mill Project consists of an earth dam 1,390 feet in length and 50 feet high and two discated in 1,240 feet in length The dikes totaling 1,840 feet in length. The dam is on a rock and pervious founda-tion with a concrete overflow spillway. Five short conduits each with 3½ x 7-foot gates will control the flow of water from the reservoir. The drainage area above the dam is 216 square miles and the dam will impound 7,400 acrefeet of conservancy storage and provide 80,600 acre-feet of flood storage.

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The contract for the construction of this dam and dikes was awarded to Ryan & Myers of Campbellsburg, Ind., on November 24, 1934, for \$313,894.80.

The work includes 187,000 cubic yards of common excavation, and 17,000 cubic yards of rock excavation. There will be 247,000 cubic yards of material in the dam and the dam and 15,-810 cubic yards of concrete in the smill. 810 cubic yards of concrete in the spillway or overflow structure. The embankment is spread in 6-inch layers loose and compacted with sheepsfoot rollers. The downstream slope of the face is 1 on 2½ to 1 on 3 and the upstream face

Rock Excavation for Spillway

A high side hill cut of 25 feet was required for the auxiliary spillway. This was benched and consisted of work in shale at the top, then about 15 feet of sandstone and at the bottom a very hard gray sandstone. The contractor used Cleveland wagon drills with the top

Contractor's Methods Described in Second Article of Series on Flood Control Works

hoist for handling the maximum 20-foot steel. Additional drilling was done with six I-R jack hammers and compressed air was provided by an I-R 330-foot machine and a 6-cylinder air-cooled unit. The drilling was all done with 1½-inch Timken detachable bits. Du Pont 40 per cent gelatin was used for shooting the rock with excellent results. The rock was loaded out by one or both of the rock with excellent results. The rock was loaded out by one or both of the power shovels which were later used for handling all the embankment material, a Lorain 75 and a Lorain 77, both 11/2-yard machines

Embankment

At the time this contract was yisited to secure the material for this article the Lorain 77 diesel 1½-yard shovel was loading earth from a borrow pit at the top of a long hill to four Euclid 8-yard Trac-Truks and a pair of Euclid 8-yard crawler wagons. The average haul was about 1,500 feet. The Trac-Truks ran at a maximum speed of 13 miles per hour on the level stretch, returning empty to the shovel. They were equipped with Euclid tire tracks on the equipped with Euclid tire tracks on the rear wheels of the tractor unit. These tracks consist of 20½ jointed sections or shoes per track for the 13.50 x 24 tires used. The embankment was spread by two Caterpillar diesel Fifties with Euclid bulldozers, and rolled with two Euclid sheepsfoot rollers pulled by a pair of Caterpillar Sixties.

The toe trench for the embankment was cut with a P & H dragline. This trench was lined with a filter of sand

(Continued on page 21)

BITUMINOUS CONSTRUCTION IN SOUTHWESTERN OHIO



Waterbinding a 5-Inch Base Course for a Penetration Macadam Top. See Page 8.

New Entrance Highway for Kansas City, Mo.

(Photos on page 32)

A 1.791-mile NRH project, 61-I, from the eastern city limits of Kansas City, Mo., eastward on U.S. 24, will pro-City, Mo., eastward on U.S. 24, will provide another attractive entrance to the city paralleling U.S. 40. The new project awarded to McGlone Paving Co. of Kansas City, Mo., includes 42-foot pavement, widening of old paving with 18-inch strips and parkway areas for 3,400 feet near the intersection of Winner Road. Those who have driven into inch strips and parkway areas for 3,400 feet near the intersection of Winner Road. Those who have driven into Kansas City on U.S. 40 realize that the State Highway Department set itself a task to provide an even more attractive traffic artery on U.S. 24, with the elimination of as many grade crossings as possible. Other contracts on this same highway have taken out bad crossings of railroad yards and main line tracks.

Some of the Handicaps

It was necessary to keep the o.d road open to traffic at all times, which made progress slow when pouring the 18-inch widening strips. Furthermore all the cross streets had to be provided with facilities for egress throughout the

An old overpass at Blue Ridge had to be altered considerably, because of the change in grade and alignment of the new roadway. Three spans of the overpass were ripped out and all the handrail was removed. The spans were replaced with a single 70-foot plate girder. The hand-rail had to be removed to care for realignment of the grade and the curb was bush hammered and a new shell curb constructed for the same reason.

The Widening Strips

The 18-inch widening strips were 9 inches thick and carried a lip curb 9 inches wide and 3 inches high on all grades and super-elevated curves. The widening strip was doweled to the old slab by ½-inch hook bars set into the slab by 42-inch hook bars set into the old slab every 5 feet. The slab wadrilled by a jack hammer and the bar set in and held firmly by a collar of lead driven tight by a circular wedge-shaped follower. The bar carried a hook to hold a continuous 34-inch reinforcing bar 6 inches from the old slab and at mid height.

Heltzel steel forms and lip curb forms were used for the widening strips and also for the full width paving. On the full-width paving the expansion joints were set every 100 feet and a contraction joint formed by the insertion of a piece of sheet metal every 50 feet alternating with the expansion joints which were trans-load air core joints. On the widening strips the expansion joints were set to match the joints in the old pavement.

Batching and Mixing

With the widening strips strung out along a roadway that had to be kept open for traffic, it was decided that it would not be expedient to run the paver on the road. The batching plant was lo-cated about a mile from the paver when running widening strip. A Johnson batching plant was served by an Indus-trial-Brownhoist crane with a Blaw-Knox 1-yard clamshell bucket, and was located at the side of the road on an elevation where all aggregates had to be hauled in by truck. The dry batches averaged 1,990 pounds of stone, 1,520 pounds of sand and 6 sacks of cement to the batch. On full-width paving bulk ment was used.

dry-batch trucks hauled the Two dry-batch trucks hauted the weighed batches from the plant to the Koehring 27E paver which was parked in a boulevard strip at about the center of the widening operations. When pouring the full-width pavement, from 15 to

NRH Project on U.S. 24 **Provides 42-Foot Road** with New Pavement and Widening with Parkways

20 batch trucks were in service. Also a second paver was used for pouring the top 2 inches of the slab over the reinforcing mats. The new Koehring poured the bottom 8 inches for the 20-foot width which was poured at a time for the 42foot pavement.

single wet batch truck was all that could be accommodated on the pave-ment and with the number of men that could be conveniently used for the narrow pour. The concrete was mixed 67 seconds in the drum to fulfill the specified 60-second mix after the skip is empty. Three men shoveled the concrete from the piles on the slab where it was dumped by the wet batch truck, into the graded section between the forms and the old slab. One man set the lip curb



Frank Creason

another built the curb and a form. third finished it. All concrete in the widened section was hand tamped in place of the usual machine finishing used on the wide slabs.

Making Traffic Lines

The specifications on this contract called for a white traffic line along the center line of each 20-foot slab. This marker is composed of Medusa white cement and white aggregate, in a 1:2:3 mix, and is 8 inches in width. Built into the slab immediately and directly

has heretofore been rather a diffic job as it is necessary to obtain a straight line with neat edges without the wi crete and the gray mixing. For use on this project Frank Creason invented a metal device 12 feet in length

behind the finishing machine, this work

which serves as a form for the white concrete. With this device, the work was done by one man and a helper where heretofore from five to ten men have been required and they did not always do a neat job.

Personnel

The McGlone Paving Co., contractor for this project, is made up of Perry McGlone, Mrs. Perry McGlone and Frank Creason, the inventor of the Lakewood mechanical form tamper, who personally directed the work. Proctor Pierce was Superintendent for the contractor and G. D. West was Project Engineer for the State Highway Depart. Engineer for the State Highway Depart

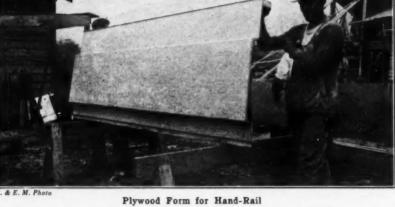
This gave a mix more nearly approaching 1:1.75:4.25 and produced concrete with an average actual strength of 5,890 pounds. The specifications were such that the contractor could not save on cement to give the specified strength and therefore produced a concrete far in ex-cess of the strength required.

Assembling the Batches

The aggregates were produced by a local company at the site. The sand and gravel were excavated from the bed of the Guadelupe River with a small dragline, loaded into trucks and hauled about 1/4 mile to the crushing, washing and screening plant adjacent to the contractor's concrete mixing plant. The aggregates were stockpiled in three sizes; sand, 1½-inch gravel and ¾-inch gravel for hand-rail.

The stockpiles of sand and 1½-inch gravel were made over a 100-foot tunnel, 4 x 5 feet in cross-section with openings every 10 feet for feeding the materials to a belt conveyor. The in-spection forces felt some apprehension lest the material in the stockpile become segregated in continuously running through the central cone onto the conveyor. A careful study of the path of the material showed, however, that the coning virtually quartered the material, as in sampling, and a large number of analyses of the sand and gravel showed perfect uniformity.

The cement house, measuring about 15 x 40 feet, was at right angles to the aggregate conveyor and had a capacity for storing fully 2,000 bags of cement frequired. Delivery was so uniform that it was not recessary to store large that it was not necessary to store large quantities of cement and most of it was handled direct from the delivery trucks across the narrow dimension of the which held 6 sacks of cement each, rolled on a Mathews roller conveyor (Continued on page 17)



Compact Concrete Plant Speeds Work on Bridge

DESPITE early delays in foundation Preparation, when it came to the actual pouring of the 817-foot concrete bridge in Comal County, Texas, on State Route 2, the contractor showed that concrete was his middle name. This attractive structure, designed by the State Highway Department, immediately gives the impression of strength and usefulness without sacrificing the sweeping lines of its arches, and, unlike many products of the modern concrete designer. designer, looks the part it is to play in carrying heavy north and south traffic between Austin and San Antonio.

There are five 120-foot center arches, three 33-foot girder spans with curtain walls giving the impression of arches at the east end and two similar spans at the west end. The maximum excavation for the six center piers was 26 feet. The structure is 817 feet 10 inches long, with a 40-foot roadway, a 5-foot sidewalk on the north side, and with a total width of structure of 49 feet. The deck is 9 inches thick over the long spans and 7½ inches thick over the girder spans. The arches are 31 feet high from the spring line to the bottom There are five 120-foot center arches, girder spans. The arches are 31 feet high from the spring line to the bottom of the arch which is 8 feet thick at the spring line and 2 feet thick at the top, and 10 feet 6 inches wide throughout.

Preparation for Work

The Uvalde Construction Co., of Dallas, Texas, contractor for this structure, moved onto the site on June 5, 1934, after receiving the work order on May

Methods of Handling Materials and Concrete on 817-Foot Structure at New Braunfels, Texas

The actual award of contract was on May 15, and excavation started June 19, 1934. The first concrete was poured in the east abutment pier July 4, 1934, and the first arch rib completed September 13, 1934, with the last, or tenth, arch finished March 6, 1935.

The steel centering which is shown in the illustration was required to remain in place 24 days after a rib was poured. This centering was assembled piece by piece for each rib and then taken down place 24 days after a rib was poured. in the same manner, as it had no bottom chord to permit moving as a unit. The contract was awarded for \$195,856.89 and the working time allowed in the contract without penalty was 220 days.

Concrete Control

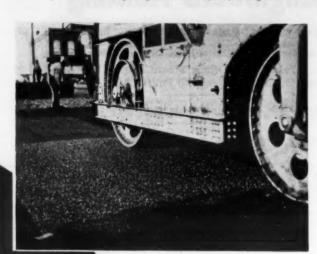
This contract had as complete concrete control and records of every batch weighed and mixed and its final location in the structure as has been seen on tion in the structure as has been seen on recent bridge structures. The batches were designed as close to a 1:2:4 mix as possible and the specifications required a minimum 3,000-pound concrete with 6.2 gallons of water to the sack of cement and 6 sacks per batch. The resulting batches contained 996 pounds of sand and 2,160 pounds of gravel, both loose, dry weights, for the 6-sack batch.



Pouring a Pier



Photographs illustrate the construction of TEXACO Asphaltic Concrete paving in Nanticoke, Pa., during 1935.



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No "Hold-Outs" This Year at A.R.B.A. Road Show

When the American Road Builders' Association "Old Fashioned Road Show" opens in Cleveland on January 20, 1936, there will be no vacancy. Every square foot of space will be taken and every kind of equipment and material used for the construction and maintenance of our highways and and maintenance of our highways and streets will be represented.

The list of exhibitors appearing on another page of this issue is assurance that the show will be complete. No group of manufacturers is withholding its exhibit this coming January so that whether the individual is interested in construction or maintenance equip-ment, from the point of view of the contractor or the state, county or city engineer of highways or streets, he will find an opportunity in the exhibits to secure the liberal education that he can

not secure elsewhere in so short a time.

The Convention program itself will be well worth the attendance of all be well worth the attendance of all engineers and officials. It is hoped that the sessions this year will be more fully attended because of the particular significance of the topics chosen for special discussion.

Speaking of Roads!

It was our privilege and laborious ask this past summer to drive 4½ miles off one of the main pikes in Kentucky to visit some "real folks." To describe the task of driving those $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles is too lengthy for this column. We first too lengthy for this column. We first pulled out of a mud hole; then, using flat stone picked up along the road, built more than a dozen crossings of streams and pits along the way. It took nearly 1½ hours to make the trip. On arriving at our destination, we had the privilege of talking with an energetic young man who is Road Supervisor for a town several wiles to the

pervisor for a town several miles to the south. We inquired whether his roads were in any better condition than those

we had traversed. He shook his head and sadly informed us that they were just about as bad, as he could get no residents to work out their road taxes.

It seems that since relief labor came into existence, the willingness of anybody to work out his road tax has disar-

body to work out his road tax has disappeared. "Why work out a road tax when you can get paid for the work" is the thought in the minds of the local citizens. Then, when they found that relief could be secured without work, the roads no longer knew even the touch of pick and shovel manned by relief

labor. The only salvation of this area for The only salvation of this area for transportation is the mule and some roads which have been improved by CCC labor. Even the educational facilities are provided, not by the state or local district, but by a Missionary School supported by churches in the northeastern and north central states.

Worn Out at Last

The following paragraph is quoted from a letter recently received by a manufacturer of construction equipment from one of his dealers. It would seem that we are at last on the threshold an increasing volume of purchases of new equipment by contractors. This means better work with more profit to contractors and a definite stepping up of production in one of the major capi-

"In our travels, we find the most encouraging thing is the fact that many of our contractors have reached the point where their old equipment is worn out. The field of obtainable rentable equipment has also been depleted, but, the renting of equipment by one contractor from another still continues. About the only solution to this is to get them all busy so they cannot continue this method.

"Generally speaking, the outlook at present is good for late fall and the entire year 1936."

"I Drive Safely." Do You?

Through what probably has set an all-time record for reprintings, millions of Americans have read in newspapers and periodicals the startling article from Reader's Digest entitled "And Sudden Death", by J. C. Furnas. A masterpiece of stark unrelenting realism, recounting to the last gruesome detail the horror and suffering witnessed every day at scenes of traffic accidents, the article has, by sheer shock, aroused the public conscience to the need for more careful

But the mere realization that the "other fellow" should drive more caredo something about it is not enough.

There are fundamental rules for driving and for the care and maintenance of car or truck which, if disregarded, inevitably lead the way to "Sudden Death", for yourself or some one else. As its contribution to the campaign for greater safety on the highways, the International Harvester Co. of America has prepared a 64-page pocket-size booklet entitled

"I Drive Safely" for free distribution. Designed particularly as an instruc-tion book for drivers of trucks, it con-tains so much valuable information that no one seriously interested in street and highway safety should be without a copy. Rules of the road, railroad crossings, speed, brakes, hilly roads, steering, tires, lubrication, vision, pedestrians and lights are some of the subjects treated, all handled in a terse nontechnical manner.

We urge you to write today to the International Harvester Co. of America, 606 So. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., for copies, not only for yourself but also enough to distribute to all your truck drivers. They are yours for the

Four states, Minnesota, Missouri, Kansas and Colorado, have adopted constitutional provisions which prevent the use of gasoline tax and motor vehicle revenues for other than highway purposes. We urge a definite campaign to bring about such action in other

Money for Grand Coulee Widely Distributed

Where the millions of dollars for Grand Coulee Dam is going is shown in a recent bulletin issued by the Mason-Walsh-Atkinson-Kier Co., contractors

for that project.
Amounts totalling \$4,927,917 went directly to eastern and middle western states while an additional \$5,719,737 was spent in the western states for equipment, materials and supplies, a large part of which was manufactured in the east and sold through western

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Be Safe All the Time

On an excavation job where there vere several power shovels and trucks required, it was necessary that a number of trucks be assigned to each shovel but occasionally a shovel was left idle for a few minutes waiting for trucks to return. During one of these periods an oiler on a shovel decided to climb out on the boom and make an inspection while the shovel was idle. He failed to say anything to the shovel operator before going out on the boom. While in this position he was out of the line of the operator's vision.

While the oiler was on the boom, the truck returned for a load and the operator put his shovel in motion. The tor put his shovel in motion. The dipper sticks caught the oiler and crushed him before anyone knew he was crushed him before anyone knew he was on the boom. Previous instructions had been given to all oilers that they were not to attempt to service, inspect or repair machinery until first notifying the operator. This oiler, of course, had failed to follow instructions, and while "taking a chance" the inevitable hap-

The best instructions are of little help unless someone sees that they are carefully carried out. In some instances, after a mechanical shovel has not been operated for a short time, the shovel operator blows his whistle or rings a bell as a warning to anyone in the vicinity before again putting his ma-

chine in motion.

-From the News Letter of the Constition, National Safety Council.

WPA Program Goes Forward **During Winter Months**

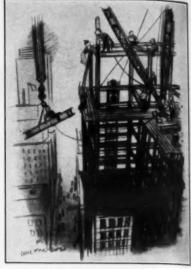
Many projects in the WPA program to employ 3,500,000 men this winter will require to the use of concrete in cold weather. By following well established procedure for winter construction, few interruptions need occur, according to the Portland Cement Association.

Certain types of work are better

adapted to winter construction than others because they are more easily protected from freezing: construction be-low ground, swimming pools, reservoirs and sewers; work on ground level, such as sidewalks, curbs and gutters; and low compact structures such as bridges and culverts.

Frequently, with paving projects, installation of underground improvements and the construction of drainage struc-tures and bridges can be completed during the coldest months so that paving can be placed immediately after the frost is out of the ground.

When business runs too smoothly, watch your step; it may be running down hill.



"Are You the One That Whistled at Me?"

Mass. Closed Season **Protects Pedestrians**

Conservative New England, appalled at the number of pedestrians killed on highways, is the first region to adopt safety facilities on a large scale for pe-destrians on state roads. An \$8,000,000 Federal-State project to construct nearly 1,000 miles of asphalt sidewalks along 1,000 miles of asphalt sidewalks along state highways in Massachusetts has been approved by Arthur G. Rotch, State PWA Administrator, and William F. Callahan, State Commissioner of Public Works. The plan is for the WPA to grade the sidewalks and provide the gravel, while the State will construct the curbstones and surfacing. The State's share of the money, \$4,000,000, will come from a bond issue voted by the recent legislature. The sidewalks will be of 4 and 6-foot widths.

No other state has built highway side-

No other state has built highway sidewalks on a scale comparable with that planned by Massachusetts; in fact, there have been no state highway sidewalks to speak of, beyond a relatively few isolated miles in a few states. Capital reports indicate, however, that many other states, spurred by figures showing that 15,590 pedestrians throughout the country were killed by automobiles last year, with 2,690 pedestrian deaths on rural highways, are planning similar WPA

"The Bay State is the logical pioneer for this type of work," said J. E. Pennybacker, Managing Director of the Asphalt Institute, "because it was the first to lay out a system of state roads and its engineers have been the advance guard of the national highway develop-

"Other states will follow suit when they realize that nearly 45 per cent of the total number of people killed last year in automobile accidents were pedestrians. Millions have been spent for peaking on wheels but nothing or year. mankind on wheels, but nothing, or very little, to protect mankind on foot with the result that the pedestrian has become the real 'forgotten' man in our highway

development.
"In New York State, for instance, about the only intended aid for pedes-trians with the exception of a few sidewalk projects now under way is a law compelling them to walk on the left hand side of the road, which often only means that the pedestrian is hit a little harder than he would be if walking with traffic."

The movement for the construction of The movement for the construction of highway sidewalks has received its first big impetus from WPA, it is pointed out, because this type of project meets a definite public need, provides much hand labor, and can be carried on to advantage over large sections of the country, providing emergency relief labor for large numbers of people near their homes.

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Caravan Routes in Asia Give Way to Highways

THE countries of Asia with the most highly improved systems of high-ways are Japan, British Malaya, Neth-erland India, the Philippines, Palestine, erland India, the Philippines, Palestine, Syria, French Indo-China and Ceylon, which is clearly reflected in the number of motor vehicles registered within them. While little change is noted in the mileage, most of these countries are steadily reducing the mileage of the lower types of roads and increasing the miles of the higher types, all of which indicates a healthy progress.

China's New Road Program

While China, by far the largest counwhile China, by far the largest country in Asia, is conspicuous by her absence from the list above, the strides forward which this country has made since the creation of the National Bureau of Public Roads in June, 1932, are notable. Since that time approximately 2,550 miles of surfaced roads and 3,950 miles of earth roads have been con-structed and opened to traffic. This has brought into being a connected system of some 8,545 miles in seven central provinces of Kiangsu, Chekiang, Anhwei, Kiangsi, Hupeh, Hunan and Honan.

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\$2,000 per kilometer.

The influence of the National Bureau of Public Roads during 1934 penetrated into China's far northwestern territory.

An engineering office was established. at Sian, the provincial capital of Shensi, through which improvement on the 800-kilometer stretch connecting it with Lanchow, capital of Kansu Province, was undertaken. American horse-drawn maintenance equipment was purchased for special use on this work.

for special use on this work.

Survey work was completed and construction commenced on the Sian-Hanchung route, which when finished will bring the first modern means of communication into that rich farming district in southern Shensi which has hitherto been isolated from marketing cen-

The Director of the National Bureau of Public Roads was loaned to Fukien Province to supervise personally the building of new roads in this southeastbuilding of new roads in this southeastern province and to correlate its existing routes, as an aid to stemming the communistic tide with which it was threatened. Through bus service was inaugurated between Foochow, the provincial capital, and Amoy, an important southern port. American armored trucks were used to patrol this important route to provide safe escort for passenger busses and protect them against bandit raids.

At the end of 1933, the Bureau of Public Roads estimated that 44,848 miles of motor highways were open to traffic in the 22 provinces of China proper, Manchuria, outer Mongolia and Sinkiang (Chinese Turkestan) and Tibet. By September 1934, 51,056 miles of highway were open to traffic; additional 8,456 miles were under construction and 32 311 miles provinces of the total contraction and 32 311 miles provinces of the total contraction and 33 311 miles provinces of the total contraction and 35 and

32,311 miles were under construction and 32,311 miles projected. Of the total mileage open to traffic, 41,314 miles were within China proper. The policy of the Bureau in concentrating upon the construction of missing links in the existing states. isting system has resulted in opening up to continuous traffic thousands of

miles of roads hitherto inaccessible.

Two very noticeable features in the development of motor transport during 1934 occurred. Simply constructed wooden barge ferries were placed in operation in many places in lieu of bridging, thus making continuous travel possible. Formerly when large unbridged river crossings were met, bus passengers were transported across by sampans and reembarked upon their

Motor Cars Replace Camels as Planned Road Programs and Modern Road Equipment Improve Highway System

journey in a waiting bus on the opposite side of the river bank. In a 550-mile stretch from Shanghai to Nanchang, the provincial capital of Kiangsi, ten vehicular ferries are in operation, of

which only one is self-propelled. China's motor roads have been used chiefly for military purposes and pas-senger carrying in the past. During 1934 however, an increased use of the highways for trucking was seen. In the Shanghai area, trucking facilities were inaugurated in the agricultural districts. cargo carrying service was introduced by the Chekiang Highway Administration between Hangchow and Hweichow, in southern Anhwei, thus giving that section its first modern form of transportation.

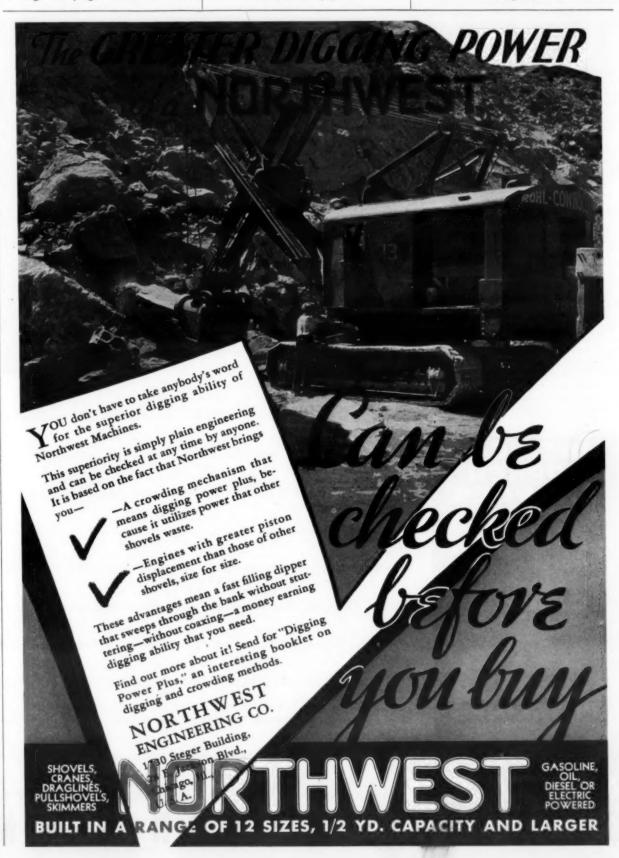
Despite monetary stringency, this program of highway construction in China has continued through 1935. Arteries in northwest China and Szechwan Province have been surveyed and work started to link up Shensi, Hupeh, Hunan, Kweichow and Szechwan provinces to facilitate General Chiang Kai-shek's military operations in West China. The 500-mile stretch connecting Sian and Lanchow has been noticeably improved and a regular motor bus service in-augurated. Construction in Chekiang and Fukien has been active, over 600 miles now being under construction in the latter province.

Highway authorities are exhibiting a interest in maintenance problems and towards this end are experimenting with various types of mechanical equipment. In northwest China, light horse-

(Continued on page 16)



The Peiping-Tientsin Highway Many Such Roads Have Been Improved Under China's New Road



Arc-Welded Steel Bridge Opened to Public in Ohio

(Photo on page 32)

A new bridge of arc-welded steel has

A new bridge of arc-welded steel has recently been completed and opened to the public in Franklin, Ohio. The structure has three spans, is 140 feet long, 40 feet wide and carries four lanes of traffic. The steel used in the structure consisted of I beams in 6, 12, 24 and 27-inch sizes, with ½-inch diamond tread 4x24-foot floor plates.

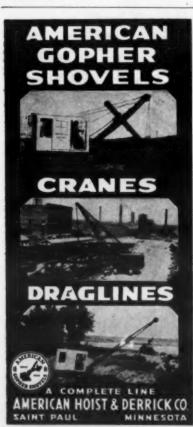
Two 400-ampere Hobart arc welders were used, the whole job being completed in 800 hours which included supervision, tacking, scaling, etc. The approximate footage on beam welding was 12 feet per hour and the footage on floor plate was about 8 feet per hour, as this welding had to be done in short stretches which cut down the footage somewhat but kept distortion at a minimum. In welding, it was necessary to

somewhat but kept distortion at a minimum. In welding, it was necessary to move about to different parts of the bridge to avoid concentrating heat too much in one portion of the structure.

Plates were cut with a 60-degree bevel and a ¼-inch gap left between sheets for welding to the beams. The majority of the floor plate welding was made in three passes, the first pass with ¼-inch rod, the second and third passes with ¾-inch rod. There were also 1,800 plug welds holding the floor plate to the beams. Approximately 6,000 feet of welding was required on this strucof welding was required on this struc-

Michigan Road Show Has Successful 3-Day Meet

With a better exhibit and better at-tendance than the majority of the more tendance than the majority of the more recent national road shows, the Michigan Road Show at Lansing, October 22, 23 and 24, has been hailed as a complete success. After a lapse of five years, the Michigan Show was resumed in the Demonstration Building of the Michigan State College at East Lansing. With nearly sixty exhibitors and an attendance of over 600 persons at the Wedness. nearly sixty exhibitors and an attendance of over 600 persons at the Wednesday evening banquet, this educational enterprise prepared for the benefit of state, county and city officials and engineers and contractors in Michigan was endorsed heartily by State Highway Commissioner Murray D. Van Wagoner, who furnished an exhibit from the State Highway Department.





Welding Floorplate on the Franklin, Ohio, Bridge

The exhibition was fairly well crowded on all three days and various exhibitors reported that they picked up exhibitors reported that they picked up some very good prospects and made enough real sales to warrant the cost of exhibiting. This Michigan Show is a timely curtain raiser for the National Road Show to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, January 20-24, 1936, the advance reports of which from the American Road Builders' Association already assure success.

New Thew Dealer in Illinois

The Thew Shovel Co. and Universal Crane Co., of Lorain, Ohio, have an-nounced the appointment of R. C. Lar-kin Co., 3900 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., as distributor of Thew-Lorain shovels and cranes in northeastern Illinois. This company offers complete spare parts and service facilities.

Explosives and The Job

A compilation of the brands of du Pont explosives and the uses to which they are adapted has been prepared by the Technical Section, Explosives Department, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del. Thirty-four different classes of work are listed and for each, one or more explosives are listed as recommended in order of preferance. This four-page folder in helpful to any contractor or state high-way engineer engaged in either construction or maintenance.

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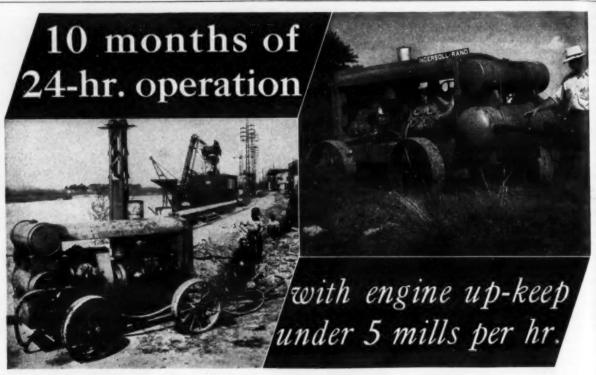
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Contractor and Public Official Report Production with the Austin-Western Badger Shovel

W. R. Sexton, Warden of Effingham County, Georgia, uses Badger shovel for ditch cleaning and back sloping.

"I am glad to say that we are well pleased with this shovel and it has saved this County considerable money. We are moving around four hundred yards of dirt a day in about ten working hours with this shovel, and it is giving the best of service. Of course, it will move much accept dirt if it was placed in a pit where more dirt if it was placed in a pit where we did not have so much bank sloping, but our work consists of practically all ditching, which makes it much harder to get the proper amount of yardage that the shovel could get.

"For a half-yard shovel, don't think it could be beat for County work, as it moves on its own power and can get on most any County road without much difficulty, and the wide gauge it has makes it very convenient to go through soft dirt or boggy places without bogging down."

B. B. McCormick and Sons, Jackson-ville, Florida, describe the Badger drag-line and clamshell operation:

"The first work with the Austin Badger was with the dragline with a 30 ft. boom and a % drag bucket. We were back-filling a sea wall at Ponte Vedra, St. Johns County, Florida. On this job, the highest yardage moved in 10 hours was 700 cubic yards, the lowest was 400 cubic yards. This amount of yardage moved in this length of time was so far beyond our expectations that we checked and rechecked the job, by three different engineers, before we were really convinced that there was not an error vinced that there was not an error somewhere. Since that time, we have worked this machine with the dragline attachment, on five other different types of work, the toughest of which was excavation for the cut-off wall on the Atlantic Beach P. W. A. Sea Wall Project, at Atlantic Beach, Florida. We were excavating on the Beach approximately 4 ft. below water level, 18 ft. in width this control of the control of the search approximately 4 ft. below water level, 18 ft. in width this control of the control of the search approximately 4 ft. below water level, 18 ft. in width; this excavating was all wet sand, but nevertheless the average yardage was 350 to 400 cubic yards per 10 hour shift—the total yardage on this job was approximately 25,000 cubic yards. We used the shovel headon a good part of approximately 23,000 clash yau used the shovel head-on a good part of this work, and averaged moving 60 cubic yards a working hour.

"We have this week completed unloading 200 gondola cars of mud for the Commodore Point Terminal Company, Jacksonville, Florida. This work was done with a clamshell. We averaged on this unloading job, 16 to 20 cars in 11 working hours. It seemed so unreasonable that all the white coller unreasonable that all the white collar boys from the Commodores Point Terminal Company office were standing around with watches checking the operation. We were making from 3 to 5 complete operations a minute with a ½ cubic yard clam on a 50% turn.

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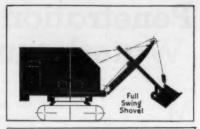
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Since 1931 the Austin-Western Badg-er Shovel has met with widesprend ac-ceptance throughout the United States, and reorders for additional shovels are proving their worth for contractors and public officials alike.

The A. Blomberg Co. of Minnesota, now has its third shovel in operation;

now has its third shovel in operation; the Potter Dewitt Corporation of Mt. Morris, New York, recently purchased a third, while state highway departments have purchased as many as six of these shovels for jobs which only a small high speed shovel can perform. It is satisfying to the manufacturer to know that the first shovels have given such outstanding service that old customers again call for Badgers. The improvements in design and materials that

provements in design and materials that are a part of the new Badger not only insure longer life and lower cost of operation but the size jobs which it can handle profitably have been increased.





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Penetration Top Laid on Waterbound Macadam

(Photo on page 32)

MEASURES for the safety of the laborers, devices for the checking of the work as it progressed and the genial personalities of the men responsible for the completion of the work by the contractor, DeSalvo Construcby the contractor, DeSalvo Construc-tion Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio, were the highlights of the 2.5-mile penetration macadam project south of Venice, Ohio, last fall and the spring of 1935. Russell DeSalvo is one of the keenest men in watching the progress of a con-tract and he sees to it that the ingenuity of his brother is used to the full in de-

veloping devices for the better prosecu-tion of the work. He pointed with pride to a simple device on the spreader boxes which has done away entirely with ac-cidents when the men are hooking or cidents when the men are hooking or unhooking the boxes from the trucks. Brother Anthony designed and con-structed the spreader boxes which are somewhat larger than most seen on work of this type, chiefly because it is possible to pull a larger amount of slag than of the heavier stones used in other sections. other sections.

DeSalvo also uses 6-inch channel forms at the sides of the base courses set to grade and then uses a template on the forms to check the subgrade be-fore any stone is spread and after the stone is placed, and both before and after rolling the surface is checked with a special template.

The Base Courses

Roughly half of the project was over an old bituminous macadam roadway that was salvaged and used as the first base course although it was necessary to widen it to the standard 21 feet for the base course. Each base course was of the same width, with a 2-inch crown except on the superelevated curves. The cept on the superelevated curves. The penetration course was 20 feet wide with the same crown. A considerable portion of this project was over new fills from balanced cuts and also from borrow pits. The fills were spread and finished with a Caterpillar Twenty power grader with 10-foot blade in 8-inch loose with 10-foot blade in 8-inch loose courses and rolled with 10-ton rollers.

The coarse aggregate was slag from a Koppers coke plant distributed by the American Aggregate Co., and hauled 15 miles from New Miami, Ohio, by four Mack trucks owned by the contractor and eight hired trucks. For the first base course, which had a specified compacted thickness of 5 inches, the slag was spread 6½ inches deep loose, allow-

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2.5-Mile Job in Ohio Completed by DeSalvo Co. with Slag for Aggregate and Side Forms for Base

ing 25 percent compaction, and then ing 25 percent compaction, and then four men hand-trimmed and carried slag back by hand and wheelbarrow to fill in the extra 6 inches on either side as the boxes spread it only 20 feet wide and the base courses were 21 feet. These men used "potato diggers" stone forks for all hand trimming.

The second base course had a specified thickness of 4 inches and the slag was spread 5½ inches loose. The construction was identical to that of the first base course.

first base course.

The slag was then rolled with one or

more of the battery of heavy rollers on the job, one 12-ton Galion, one 10-ton Galion, both gas-operated, or a 10-ton Buffalo-Springfield gas roller. The rolled slag course was then filled with 3/8-inch to 100-mesh sieve-size limestone screenings hand-cast by 8 to 10 men over the surface just to fill the voids. The rolling was continued with four successive light coats of dry screenings until the voids and top were completely

The next step was the pulling of a steel wire gang broom attached to the roller over the surface to insure a perfectly uniform spread of the dry scree ings. Then a watering truck was brought into service and the rolling and gang-brooming continued until the surface had a slight grout wave ahead of each of the rolls. After this first base course had dried out completely it was roughly broomed with a rotary broom pulled by a truck to clean it for the spreading

of the second base course.

The slag for the first and second base courses was mixed No. 1 and No. 2



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The Penetration Course The 3-inch penetration course (Continued on page 12)



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Calif. Plans Elimination of 39 Grade Crossings

With \$7,500,000 Federal funds, California is planning to eliminate thirtynine of her most hazardous railroad grade crossings. The projects submitted to the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads for approval include fifteen on state highways outside of cities, ten on state highways within cities, twelve on other city streets, and two on county roads, all of which include one or more grade crossing separations and such road connections as may be necessary in order to construct them properly, it is reported in California Highways and Public Works.

The oft-repeated statement that grade separation projects are the easiest to get under way within a short period of time is, to put it mildly, a slight exaggeration. There are many problems, not only of planning and design, but bickerings with local officials, property

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The Division of Highways of the California Department of Public Works has, however, bent every energy to get as many contracts as possible on this work awarded by December 15, and expects to have a large proportion of the work under contract on that date.

Acetylene Association Meets in Cleveland

The International Acetylene Association held its 36th Annual Meeting in Cleveland last month. The keynote speaker of the occasion was Merle Thorpe, Editor of Nation's Business and other outstanding executives and engineers spoke on the various phases and advances in the industry.

advances in the industry.

One of the features of the meeting was a welding and cutting forum, at which numerous demonstrations were made and opportunities for discussion and questions were made available.

A. G. C. Makes Nominations and Foresees Better Times

The Seventeenth Annual Convention of the Associated General Contractors of America will be held at the Miami Biltmore Hotel, Miami, Fla., January 13, 14 and 15, 1936. The formal nomination of William A. Klinger, Sioux City, Iowa, as President and Edward P. Palmer of New York City as Vice President of A. G. C. has been announced. Mr. Klinger is President of the William A. Klinger Corp., prominent mid-west building contractor, and Mr. Palmer is Secretary-Treasurer of Senior & Palmer, engineering contractors of New York.

engineering contractors of New York.
Edward J. Harding, Managing Director of the Association, states that,
"Every recent statistical study makes it
quite apparent that the volume trend in
the field of private construction has
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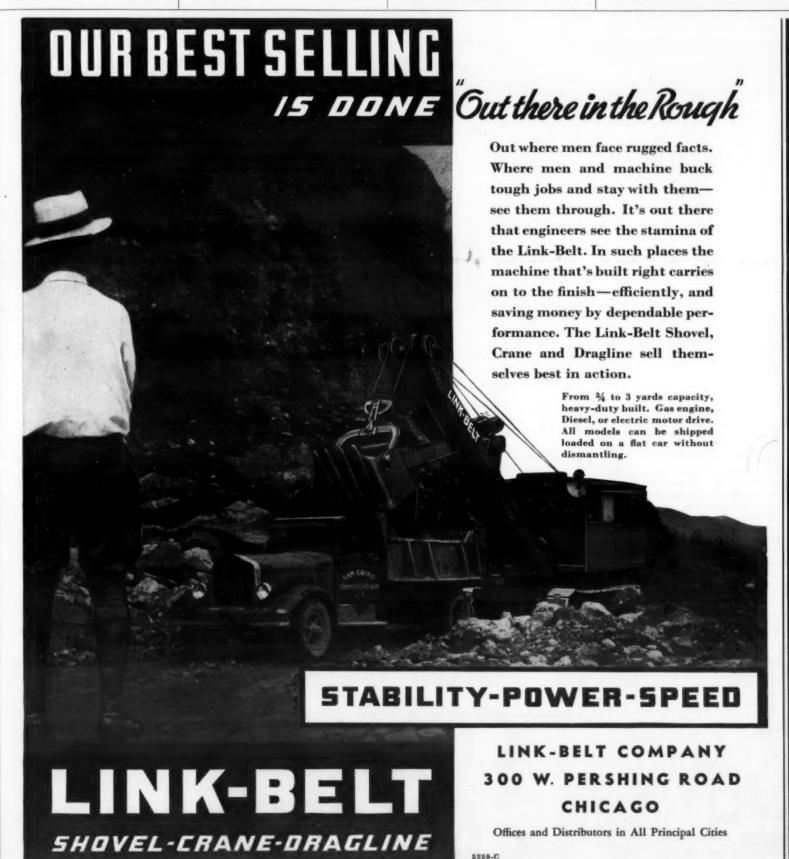
Harding estimates that there is an accumulated deficit of at least eighteen billion dollars in private construction over the period of the last five years, and that the recent upward trend may be viewed as a seepage through that must soon break the dam which has pent up this demand.

Daniels Heads Division for FWD Eastern Sales

H. M. Daniels has been appointed Supervisor of the new consolidated Eastern Sales Division and A. F. Waterland, Manager of the newly established Philadelphia Branch of the Four Wheel Drive Auto Co., of Clintonville, Wis.

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We operate heavy-duty tractors which are powerful machines. One of the salesmen who calls upon us insists that we should not use heavy lubricants in the transmission of these machines. We think he is "all wet." Please give us your unbiased opinion.—Garden City, L. I., N. Y.

Answer

The salesman, whether he represented a refiner of lubricants or a manufacturer or distributor of heavy-duty contents. struction equipment, was correct. Most operators seem to believe because the machine is labeled, "heavy duty" that they need a "heavy" lubricant. This problem is particularly serious in the case of the lubrication of transmissions. The Caterpillar Tractor Co., one of the large manufacturers of heavy-duty trac-tors, has never recommended anything heavier than SAE 160 transmission oil for use in their tractors. Even this is much too heavy in the winter time and they recommend either SAE 90 or 110 for winter use. Since the tooth pressure per square inch in the transmission is comparatively low in a tractor, the lubricant does not need to be heavy. It is much more important for the lubricant to circulate freely so that not only the gears but also the bearings will receive proper lubrication.

Question

Our internal combustion gasoline engine is quite new but has been operated almost continuously for about six months. In order to overcome possible wear in the cylinders we have been using a heavier oil, but the machine seems to be losing power. We are using a lighter oil, an SAE 40, this winter but with the colder weather this does not seem to overcome our loss of power. What oil should we use?—Los Angeles, Calif

Answer

Because of the great improvement in the quality of machine shop work in-volving closer fit and the speeding up volving closer ht and the speeding up of equipment, many contractors are using too heavy a grease or oil and your case is not an isolated one. Internal combustion engines particularly are increasing in speed, they are of higher compression and tighter fit in their cylinder walls, necessitating the use of a thin oil of SAE 20 or 30. Even old-time services men are still proper to use as the office of the state of t

Minnesota WPA Program Financing Gravel Road

The Minnesota State Highway Department since October 1 has called for bids for the improvement of more than 175 miles of its secondary system. This program is designed to furnish maximum man-hours of employment consistent with worthwhile improvement and will be financed to a large extent from Minnesota's \$5,000,000 allotment of WPA funds. More than 115 miles of stabilized gravel base course, 47 miles of grading and 13 miles of ordinary gravel will be built. Lettings scheduled at two-week intervals include

letin provided with each engine you buy gives you his recommendations for oil. These recommendations should be fol-

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additional mileage not listed above. In most cases, the stabilized gravel projects involve improvement of the

grade as well as the addition of aggregate, binder soil and calcium chloride for the wearing course. The Department has been doing stabilization experimentally for the past year and has found that the new type of surface is satisfactory under moderate traffic conditions and forms a good base for added surfacing of other types if it should be required. Some of the grading will be carried on during the winter months.

"Jack" Distler Joins Republic

The Republic Steel Corp. has announced the appointment of J. P. Distler, formerly with Keystone Steel & Wire Co., as Manager of Sales for its Wire Division, with headquarters at the Grand Crossing plant in Chicago. Mr. Distler succeeds R. W. Hull whose duties as Assistant Manager of Sales for all Republic products in the Chicago district will receive all his time.



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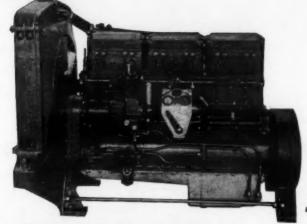
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Snow Removal Problems in Sunny California

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IT MAY not ever rain in California, but it certainly snows! In spite of the happy picture of everlasting sunshine and orange blossoms which the word California is supposed to call to mind, the State Division of Highways has 4500 miles of road to keep clear has 4,500 miles of road to keep clear of snow during the winter season.

Last year they were confronted with the problem of the worst snowfall in 12 years. The range of the storm was exceptional, with 4 inches of snow fallof snow is seen only once in a genera-tion, to a maximum fall at Donner Summit where in four days the snow pack was increased by 88 inches, as re-ported in California Highways and Pub-

The storm was general throughout the state. Adding to the fierceness of the storm was the accompanying wind, reaching at times a hurricane velocity of 60 miles an hour.

Fortified by Good Equipment

The efforts of the Division of Highways were greatly fortified by an excellent layout of equipment, totaling 293 pieces, ranging from V-type pusher plow motor graders to large augerblower type rotaries, and in addition, many tow graders, tractors and power graders for the lighter falls. graders for the lighter falls.

Equipment was not allowed to stop, peration being continuous in son places for 175 hours, with time out only for servicing. A vital help during the emergency was the equipment purchased the preceding fall to replace obsolete

During the storm, superintendents, foremen and leading men lost all track of days and hours. Truck drivers and equipment operators took their equipment out and kept it moving until a round trip was made, or until they were relieved.

The greatest trouble was experienced in the high-plateau sections east of the mountains, where high winds and resulting drifts were representable for sulting drifts were responsible for blocking several roads for short periods. blocking several roads for short periods. U.S. Route 40, from Colfax over Donner Summit to the Nevada State line, was the most difficult route to keep open, largely on account of drifting snow. On this section, ten four-wheel-drive trucks with pusher plow attachment, three auger-blower and one rail-road type rotary plows were operated.

road type rotary plows were operated.

With this equipment working constantly, the road was kept open, although for five days, on account of restricted width, it was necessary to close the road to trucks and to convoy light traffic over the summit under patrol car control.

Almost as difficult as the Donner Route was a portion of the East of the Sierra Highway. On 140 miles, from the Nevada State line to Bishop, three

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State Division of Highways Has 4,500 Miles of Road to Keep Open in Winter

summits are crossed, ranging up to 8,100 feet in elevation. The snow here was light and dry, and when driven by strong gales necessitated the continu-ance of snow removal operations long after the actual snowfall had ceased. Seven truck push plows and two augerblower type rotary plows were used to keep this road open to traffic.

Snow Fence Effective

As usual, the greatest trouble was ex-perienced at points unprotected by for-est or snow fence, where howling winds reformed drifts on the roads almost as rapidly as they were cleared.

Long stretches of snow fence have been installed where drifting was se-rious. But last winter's storm shows that considerably more will be required control adequately the action of the

Pacific Coast Branches

Through the selection of Edward M. Ornitz as their Pacific Coast special representative, a group of manufacturers of construction equipment have brought about a more direct cooperative effort between the manufacturers, their dis-tributors and contractors in that territributors and contractors in that territory. The companies represented by Mr. Ornitz are: Blaw-Knox Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Byers Machine Co., Ravenna, Ohio; Cleaver-Brooks Co., Milwaukee, Wis.; E. D. Etnyre & Co., Oregon, Ill.; and Master Vibrator Co., Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Ornitz is maintaining offices in the Wilcox Bldg., Los Angeles, Colif

New Chain Belt Dealer

The O. S. Stapley Co., 723 Grand Ave., Phoenix, Ariz., has recently been appointed exclusive distributor by the Chain Belt Co., for its line of Rex construction equipment in and about the vicinity of Phoenix. The Stapley organization has been serving the construction industry and state and county officials in that territory for many years.





2.5-Mile Penetration Job on Waterbound Macadam

(Continued from page 8)

built up with 4-inch loose No. 2 slag of sieve size varying from 100 per cent passing 3-inch to a maximum of 15 per cent passing 1½-inch sieve, hand-trimmed and rolled to 3 inches compacted. Any irregularities greater than 1/2-inch when tested with an 18-foot 7/2-inch when tested with an 18-10st straight-edge when applied parallel to the center line of the pavement were loosened and reshaped with the same size and kind of material and again rolled.

It was then penetrated with A-la petroleum asphalt manufactured by the Latonia Refining Co. of Latonia, Ky., at the rate of 1.2 gallons per square yard. The asphalt used had a penetration of 85-100. The petroleum asphalt was supplied by the L. P. Cavett Co. was supplied by the L. P. Cavett Co. of Lockland, Ohio, who delivered and applied it with heated Etnyre distributors. Immediately after applying the bituminous material there was spread evenly by hand over the entire surface evenly by hand over the entire surface sufficient No. 4 chips, of sizes varying from 100 per cent passing a 1-inch to a maximum of 5 per cent passing a No. 4 sieve, approximately 15 pounds per square yard to fill the surface voids. The rolling and sweeping of this course was started before the bituminous material stiffened enough to prevent the chips from being readily incorporated. Immediately after the completion of the work described above, the road was penetrated with the same type of bituminous material at the rate of 0.6 gallon per square yard and No. 4 chips were per square yard and No. 4 chips were again uniformly spread over the entire surface at the rate of 15 pounds per square yard. The entire surface was rolled and swept in the same manner as after the first application of bituminous material. The surface was tested with an 18-foot straight-edge applied parallel to the centerline of the road and any irregularities ½-inch or greater were corrected.

Sealing

To secure a smoother surface, both seal coats were combined. Prior to sealseal coats were combined. Prior to sealing, the entire surface was thoroughly cleaned with the rotary broom. Then there was spread uniformly over the entire surface No. 46 chips, varying in size from 100 per cent passing a 1-inch sieve to a maximum of 15 per cent passing a No. 4 sieve, at the rate of 37 pounds per square yard which was dragged to a smooth surface by the spreader boxes used for the first two courses. The asphalt cut-back No. 2 spreader boxes used for the first two courses. The asphalt cut-back No. 2 manufactured by the Latonia Refining Co. was applied at the rate of 1.1 gallons per square yard by the Etnyre distributors. The chips and bituminous material were then bladed over and back and then leveled with a Caterpillar blade grader and the entire surface dragged with an Adams blade mixer and leveler, 22 feet in length, which gave the desired coating of bituminous material, and surface smoothness. material, and surface smoothness

The surface was then rolled lightly

and any irregularities exceeding %sinch in a 10-foot straight-edge applied parallel to the centerline of the road were eliminated. The surface was next covered with No. 6 chips, varying in size from 100 per cent passing a ½-inch sieve to a maximum of 5 per cent passing a No. 8 sieve, at the rate of 8 pounds per square vard; then rolled and per square yard; then rolled and broomed until the No. 6 chips were thoroughly embedded.

Ouantities

The major quantities of materials in-volved in this contract were:

Excavation, unclassified 2	23,466	cubic yards
Excavation, borrow 2	22,763	cubic yards
	19,619.9	square yards
4-inch waterbound macadam, second base	1,353.7	square yards
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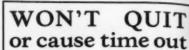
The contract was worked 40 hours a week, being wholly a state highway project. The 8-hour day of the state law was followed, working 5 days a

Unusual Service Lengthens Tire Life

The contractor equipped his entire fleet of trucks with General tires and then had them serviced by the local disthen had them serviced by the local dis-tributor. Once each week the distribu-tor sent out a service truck with a large container of air under high pressure and examined every tire for under-in-flation, over-inflation, bruises from stone or other cause, and made the proper repairs at once, changing the tire if necessary to make the needed repairs. The contractor reported that this service had lengthened the life of tires on his equipment by many months.

Personnel

This contract was completed by De-Salvo Construction Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio, with Russell DeSalvo, Anthony DeSalvo and Louis Iori in charge. For the State Highway Department the work was under the jurisdiction of W. E. Wil-lard, Resident Division Deputy Director, and R. S. Fisher, Assistant Resident Division Deputy Director in charge of construction, and was under the direct supervision of Harold Mathes, Project s, Project Engineer, with John W. Tallman and Prosper Russo as Chief Inspectors.





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County Produces Gravel for Roads at Low Cost

A county road commission in a section popular with vacationists is faced with two problems: that of maintaining the secondary roads under its jurisdiction to meet the requirements of the residents of the community and in addition, keep the roads in a condition to accommodate the heavy summer traffic. The Leelanau Road Commission, in

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The Leelanau Road Commission, in Leelanau County, Mich., faces just such a problem, and several years ago set about to establish a basis of economical maintenance and extension of its highway system. They acquired gravel deposits in various sections of the county and put into operation a 1-yard Sauerman power drag scraper and a portable crushing and screening plant. After one year's successful operation of this unit, a second Sauerman scraper was added to the outfit.

The gasoline-driven hoists of the scraper units are mounted on steel road trucks and the entire plant can be moved easily from one pit to another to supply material to any part of the road system where work is under way. The various pits are from 10 to 30 miles apart.

Most of the gravel deposits are hardpacked with a liberal sprinkling of
boulders. The 1-yard Crescent bucket
moves 40 to 45 cubic yards of gravel an
hour when operating at the machine's
average length of haul of about 150
feet. When operating on the full length
of its 300-foot span, the bucket digs and
hauls about 25 cubic yards an hour
lt is reported that the operating cost,
labor and gasoline only, is less than
\$10.00 a day.

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The pit material is conveyed by the scraper to a hopper feeding a short-center belt conveyor leading to the screen, where oversized material is scalped off, chuted to a crusher, and returned to the screen by a bucket elevator. All material passing the screen is carried by a somewhat longer conveyor belt to a steel storage bin from which it is loaded to trucks.

which it is loaded to trucks.

In addition to serving as a gravel excavator, one of the scraper units has been used by the county forces for other excavating work. One season it made a 50,000-cubic yard cut and fill for a new road through the Lake Michigan sand dunes.

Miller Bidleman is County Highway.

Miller Bidleman is County Highway Superintendent for Leelanau County and J. Baumgardner is Foreman.

Salt Brine as Dust Layer

The Michigan State Highway Department has been experimenting since the summer of 1934 with salt brine as a dust layer. The brine, which is a waste product of oil wells, contains chlorides of sodium, calcium and magnesium. It is hauled in trucks from the ponds. M. D. Van Wagoner, State Highway Commissioner, states that the experimental results indicate that the cost of one treatment, with a haul of not over 30 miles, will not exceed \$25.00 per





One of the Set-Ups of the Leelanau County Portable Gravel Plant

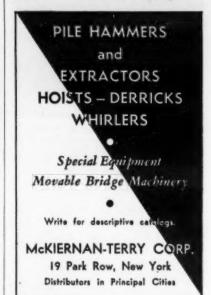
mile and it is estimated that four applications per year will be required.

Minnesota Ready to Battle Winter Storms and Snow

According to a recent report from the Minnesota Highway Department, every corner of the state is "digging in" for its annual battle with winter's snow storms. More than 1,100 miles of snow fence is practically all in place. More than 200 big V-plows are being attached to the department's heavy-duty trucks. Fifteen tractor plows and twenty-one rotary plows are tuned up and ready to force their way through deep drifts. Piles of gravel—more than 10,000 cubic yards—are in strategic locations waiting to be spread on icy payments.

Piles of gravel—more than 10,000 cubic yards—are in strategic locations waiting to be spread on icy pavements. For mixing with this there is 100 tons of calcium chloride which helps the gravel to imbed itself firmly in the ice and thus provide traction for slipping tires.

Maintenance workers of the Highway Department must keep more than 11,300 miles of state highways open. During storms, crews work continuously.







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A P & H fully-convertible excavator, made especially by the Harnischfeger Corp., 4419 W. National Ave., Milwaukee, Wis., for operation by a Ford V-8 motor, is used by Matthew Sullivan, Inc., contractor of New York City, for

a variety of jobs.

The Ford V-8 chassis on which the excavator is mounted is equipped with a Twin-Flex unit, sprocket and chain drive. Running slowly, the engine operating the excavator develops 40 hp at 1,800 rpm. At the press of a button, the motor is ready for action and is capable of developing 85 hp. The contractor reports that operation and main-

New Sizes of Batteries Fill Truck Service Gap

tenance costs are low.

Three new storage batteries for replacement in light trucks to fill the gap between passenger car type batteries often used in light trucks, and the heavy-duty batteries for large trucks and busses have been announced by the B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio. Differing from passenger car batteries in construction, the new batteries are able to withstand the severe operating conditions of light truck service, and are little more expensive than passenger car types. Positive plates in the new products are twice as thick as those in the passenger car type, while the negative plates are similar to the passenger car batteries. The electrical capacity is increased by an extra large acid space and the extra acid tends to keep the temperature of the battery below the critical point.

Plant Leased by Dealer for Larger Display Area

B. C. Patten, President, Patten Tractor & Equipment Co., 431 S. Jefferson St., Chicago, Ill., has announced the leasing of the Carlson Forging Co. plant at 1056 N. Kolmar Ave., Chicago for a long term. Extensive alterations are to be made and the plant occupied by December 15. The property is served by a Chicago & Northwestern switch track.

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A horizontal earth boring machine has been developed by the Young Engine Corp., of Canton, Ohio, for installing casings of 4 to 36-inch diameter for pipe lines, sewers, conduits, etc., under highways, railroads and embankments, without tunneling or tearing up the road bed. In operation, the boring machine is placed in the ditch and braced. It is driven by a gasoline power unit which is set up on one side of the ditch, power being transmitted through a flexible shaft and chain to the worm shaft of the boring machine.

of the boring machine.

On the front end of the pipe or casing being installed is a hard-faced hollow cutter head. The casing is flanged to the hollow driving spindle which is rotated and is forced forward by the lever jacks. The cuttings are removed by a spoon on a 1½-inch pipe, or are washed out by water preferably from a

high pressure fire stream, when obtainable

After the casing has entered the embankment about 6 feet, or when the rotating hollow spindle has advanced its full length, the flange of the driving head is unbolted from the casing and an 8-inch x 5½-foot extension joint with flanged ends is inserted between the casing and the driving head of the bor-

ing machine. This cycle of operation is repeated until the casing has advanced 20 feet or more, depending on the length of the casings. All of the 8-inch 1 5½-foot flanged extension joints are then removed and another length of caing is welded or screwed onto the preceding joint. These operations are continued until the full length of casing is installed.

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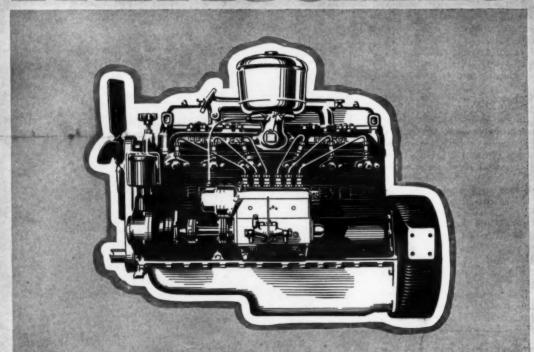
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Farm Ponds Built on a 1935 Project

Kansas Highway Commission Saves Water in Arid Area and Checks Erosion with Culverts High in Bank

By L. C. Brisbin

In THE days of the big cattle drives and ox-drawn wagons, the trails of Kansas followed the lines of least resistance, usually along a ridge until a convenient pass was found to cross to the next ridge. Today, Kansas lays out her roads as straight as possible. In Rawlins County, an NRS project eliminates 7 miles on Route 36. The new location extends $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of Atwood.

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Projects NRS 510 A, B and C consist of earth work, culverts, and bridges. The earthwork comprises 658,757 cubic yards of unclassified excavation, including 11,220 cubic yards of rock. The soil is a fine powdery sand-clay that works very easily but requires moisture for compaction.

for compaction.

A standard 32-foot roadway with maximum 6 per cent grades is being built. The low fills have 3 on 1 shoulder slopes and the high fills 2 on 1 slopes with guard fence. The ditch slopes are 114 on 1.

1½ on I.

As this soil is readily eroded, wherever the land outside the roadway slopes toward the backslope, dikes are constructed at the top to prevent wash. These dikes carry surface run-off parallel to the road and then away to the nearest stream or gully.

The Farm Ponds

An important feature of this particular project is the construction of farm ponds in most of the canyons that are crossed. This is new practice and Rawlins is the first county in Kansas to have them. Wherever a project crosses a canyon or small stream and a culvert is required, instead of placing the culvert in the low point or in the stream bed, it is placed up on the bank. A berm is constructed on the shoulder slope to keep the water away from the fill and the water is ponded up to the flow line of the culvert.

Because of the sharp grades in these

Because of the sharp grades in these canyons, the ponded areas are not very large but as this is a territory of limited rainfall, there is not very much water to impound. These ponds are also important as settling basins as they remove silt that would impair grazing areas in the valleys below.

The ponds call for several special designs in the culverts, with broken flow-lines, and in a few cases flume outlets with settling basins. Any structure of less than 20 feet in span is considered a culvert and is included in the earthwork contract. There are 22 culverts on these three projects, ranging from 3 x 3 to 12 x 12-foot in cross section.

Culverts of Two Types

The culverts are of two types, grade culverts and underfill culverts. The grade culverts are built with the slab 1 foot below the finished grade. The headwalls are 32 feet apart and have hand-rails. Underfill culverts are constructed under high fills, the length being determined by the height of the fill and the shoulder slopes. The culverts built to form the ponds were all of the underfill type.

Because of the irregular contour of the terrain, it was difficult to place the culvert footings on natural ground. To do this and have the outlet conform with the stream bed, it was often necessary to break the flow line. In two cases the fall was so great that it required a flume outlet. These flume outlets rest on a 2 to 1 slope and have a settling basin at the bottom. The basins prevent any scour at the outlet.

any scour at the outlet.

Within the city of Atwood, Kans., there is a double 8 x 4-foot culvert with curb inlets constructed in the slab. These inlets remove the water from the curb and gutter to the stream. They are open for the full span, making a 16-foot opening.

Curb and Gutter

In the section of this project within the city of Atwood, curb and gutter is required. There are two types of curb and gutter used: Type 1, standard 6-inch curb and 2½-foot gutter, and Type 2, laid back curb and short return for entrances and a 20-foot return and val-

ley gutter for street intersections. All fills are rolled and tamped to prevent any settlement of the curb and gutter and to provide a firm base.

Personnel

List & Clark Construction Co., Kansas City, Mo., was the contractor for this project with E. E. Clarkson as Superintendent. For the Kansas State Highway Commission, the work was in charge of W. D. Scully, Resident Engineer.

PERFORMANCE-ACCESSIBILITY





BETHLEHEM Steel Sheet PILING

AN interesting example of the use of Bethlehem Steel Sheet Piling is afforded by recently completed improvements authorized by the State Board of Commerce and Navigation in the yacht basin at Forked River, N. J.

Around a portion of this basin a bulkhead of Bethlehem Piling, supplemented by a wooden fender system, has been installed, adding decidedly to the attractiveness and utility of the shore line. Part of the land reclaimed is now occupied by service facilities. To accomplish these objectives required the use of only 59 tons of steel sheet piling.

Reasons for the use of Bethlehem Steel Sheet Piling in this bulkhead at Forked River are the same as those which have led to its use in so many other projects: great strength, long life, low cost of installation, low expense for maintenance. Bethlehem Steel Sheet Piling is the strongest material available for the building of earth-retaining structures. It forms a wall with strong, sand-tight interlocks between the individual pieces. It is readily driven or jetted to depths that, when attained with other materials, involve difficulty and added cost. And it lasts for years, even in salt water.

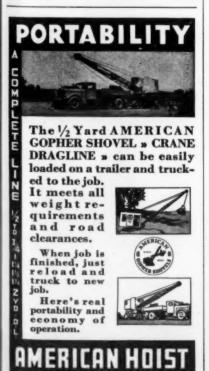
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SAINT PAUL MINNESOTA

New Highways in Asia Replace Caravan Trails

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drawn American road graders have been put into operation, while in Fukien Province light-weight tractors and graders have been purchased. The Peiping Municipal Government has been making good use of an American tractor grading butfit in its area.

and grading butht in its area.

The opening of the Shanghai-Wusih highway, connecting these two important industrial cities, on Aug. 15, 1935, gives China's foremost trading metropolis its first direct highway route to the national capital at Nanking. Illustrative of some of the highway problems of China is the large amount of bridge construction necessary in the lower Yangtsze River delta, owing to its network of canals. Within the 88-mile stretch lying between Shanghai and Wusih, 149 bridges and 53 culverts have been constructed.

Highway construction in China has

Highway construction in China has been accomplished mainly by mass labor because of its abundance and cheapness. A few American tractors, road ness. A few American tractors, road graders and rock drill air compressors, and some British and German steam and diesel road rollers, comprise the modern road building machinery which has been used, although it is believed that simple road maintenance machinery will become more popular in the first will become more popular in the fu-

Japan's Roads Are Good

After a discussion of China and her progress, one's thoughts turn naturally to Japan, her small hustling neighbor. The contrast between almost every phase of the life and development in these two countries is marked, and Ja-pan has far outstripped China in the pan has far outstripped China in the development of her highway system, though it must be remembered that Japan has not faced the terrific problems of long distances, variations in climate and difficult terrain which has contributed to the slowness of development in China

The most recent statistics on road mileage for Japan are of December, 1932, as secured from the Highway Bureau of the Department of Home Affairs

fairs. Classification of Road
National roads
Prefectural roads
Municipal roads and streets
Town and village roads and streets

National roads have a width of 24 feet or more; prefectural and municipal roads of not less than 18 feet, while pai roads of not less than 13 feet, while town and village roads include all sorts of roads, streets, lanes, regardless of width. It is probable that all of the roads under the first three categories are practicable for motor traffic. It is roughly estimated that about 100,000 miles of roads in Japan are now suitable for motor traffic and that vehicles are operated over an additional 25.000 are operated over an additional 25,000 miles during the greater part of the

year.

No information is available as to the types of surfaces included in the above total. Most of the national roads are total. Most of the national roads are fairly well surfaced and the principal ones are paved. A few of the roads constructed during the past three years are excellent modern motor highways and compare favorably with those in the United States. However, the great majority of the Japanese roads still have loose gravel surfaces. In the case of the national and prefectural roads, these are generally well graded and drained and kept in good repair throughout the year. A large number of these roads have been widened during recent years, steep grades and sharp curves eliminat-

steep grades and sharp curves eliminated, and modern bridges constructed.

The Government has undertaken a very extensive road building program as a measure of unemployment relief.

This work started in 1931 and appropriations for the past three years have priations for the past three years have



Road Construction in the Mountai Yamashina Prefecture, Japan

been: 1933, 63,000,000 yen; 1934, 89,000,000 yen; and 1935, 35,540,000 yen. In addition, as an emergency measure to repair the damage caused by the September 1934 typhoon, the sum of 75,060,000 yen has been appropriated for road construction in 33 prefectures. A portion of this has been used and remainder will be used during the 1935-1936 fiscal year.

Other Countries

The Government of Chosen has recognized the importance of highway improvement and in 1931 a three-year program was adopted, in part for the relief of unemployment. About two-thirds of the total for various public works, amounting to 27,673,000 yen (about \$13,836,500 at par), was allocated for

In 1931-32, the latest year for which figures are available, the total length of roads in British India was 255,512 miles, of which 74,541 miles were metalled and the remaining 189,971 miles unmetalled. Most of the metalled roads are macadam. These roads are maintained partly by the Public Works Department of the Province concerned, partly by municipalities, and partly by

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But My 6 'L-O's' Cut Costs and Increased Yardage"

says William Lathers, Jr.

I like my 6 'L-O's'," says William Lathers, Jr. "Their performance on my La Crosse County (Wis.) job has convinced me they are A-1 tractors. They have cut my fuel costs and have increased my daily yardage because they have more power. Pulling 8-yard scrapers in the soft ground we have encountered on this job, is mighty tough work and an excellent test of tractor dependability. I made no mistake when I chose A-C Oil Tractors.'

This is a conservative example of the way contractors praise the Allis-Chalmers Oil Tractor. "L-O's cut my costs in half"... "Best balanced tractor I ever used"... "Easier starting"... "Easier to maneuver"... are typical comments. All this points to one obvious conclusion—the most advanced design in tractor engines today is the A-C low compression Oil Engine ... in which Diesel fuel is injected into the combustion chamber with a Diesel pump and ignited with time-tried electrical ignition. The result is Diesel fuel economy.... with gasoline engine simplicity.





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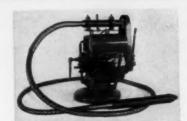
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Two new models of gasoline-engine-Two new models of gasoline-engine-operated concrete vibrators have been announced by the White Manufacturing Co., Elkhart, Ind. Model M-1 is a 23%-inch diameter vibrator for small forms and Model M-2, with a 3½-inch vibra-tor, is designed for larger jobs where a greater intensity of vibration is re-quired.

A constant rate of pulsation of 3,800 to 4,000 vibrations per minute is assured by an engine governor. Lower

engine speed, of 2,500 rpm, to insure long engine life and low maintenance cost, is obtained through a V-belt speed cost, is obtained through a V-belt speed change and ball-bearing belt-adjusting countershaft. A sturdy engine provides increased power by a larger bore and stroke. Timken bearing crankshafts and an automotive-type carburetor provide easy starting and fuel economy. All ball bearings are packed in grease. Model M-1 has easy lifting handles and a swivel base; Model M-2 has a wheelbarrow mounting. Both models can be furnished with electric motors instead of gas engines if the purchaser so desires.



Model M-1 White Vibrator

Literature illustrating and giving complete specifications for both models may be secured from the White Mfg. Co. by mentioning this magazine.

Concrete Plant Speeds Work on Texas Bridge

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down a slight slope to the platform where it was unloaded by two men, and emptied by another into the hopper of

the Ransome 28-S mixer.

The tunnel conveyor delivered the material into a pit at the bottom of a Rex bucket elevator which carried the aggregate to the proper division of the bin over the Blaw-Knox batchers. A system of colored lights controlled the delivery of the proper aggregate as needed to keep the bins full, a red light for sand and green light for gravel.

Handling the Concrete

After mixing for 11/2 minutes the concrete was delivered to one of three bottom-dump buckets carried on flat bed trucks which hauled them from the mixtrucks which hauled them from the mixing plant to the approximate location for placing, but at ground level. The buckets were swung onto the deck or over the pier by a Lorain 75 crane with a 70-foot boom. The crane ran across the stream on a temporary trestle which also made travel from one end of the job to the other much easier than going

also made travel from one end of the job to the other much easier than going around to the old bridge which has served traffic for many years.

The bottom-dump buckets were always dumped into a hopper for pouring deck or arches. Only when pouring the piers were they dumped direct into the forms. In pouring the arches the pour was carefully divided to maintain a constant balance in the structure to prevent distortion of the centering and vent distortion of the centering and forms. The material from the hopper torms. The material from the hopper was delivered through two chutes one to either side, alternately about one yard of material at a time. For pouring sections requiring rehandling two-wheeled concrete buggies were used, there being three or four in use.

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There were from 20 to 25 men in the concreting operations including the mixing and placing, with 3 men on the delivery hopper. The total labor organization was about 75 per shift. Skilled labor was worked regularly 30 hours a week on 10-hour shifts the last three and first three days of the week, then laid off a week. The amount of work for unskilled men, who were kept on a single operation as far as possible, was not sufficient to permit them to earn their full 30 hours so they were allowed to make up their time as helpers to to make up their time as helpers to carpenters, etc.

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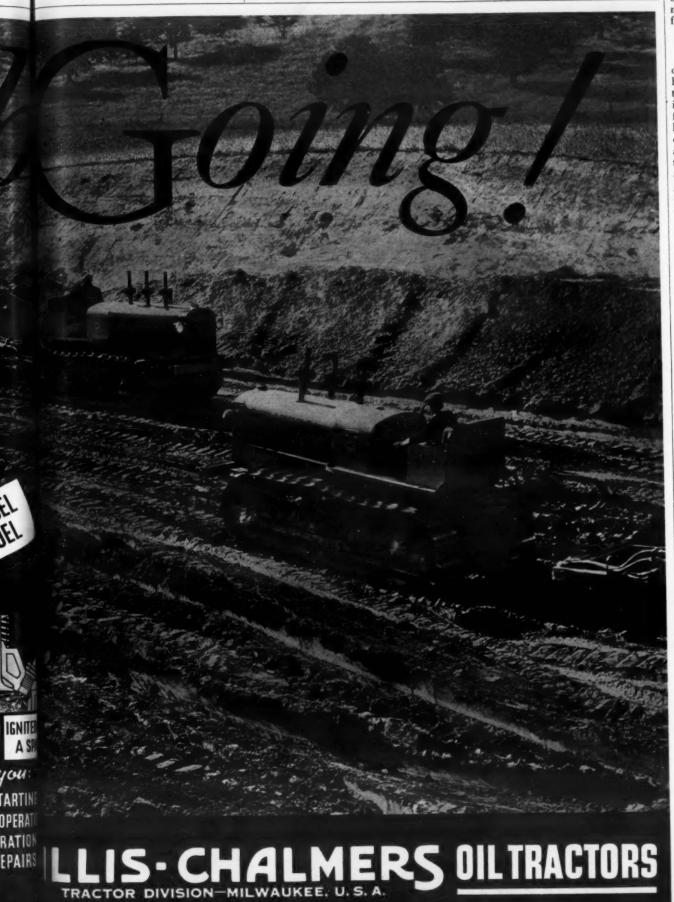
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The Uvalde Construction Co. of Dal-las, Texas, was the contractor for the Guadelupe River Bridge at New Braunfels, Texas. The project was located on State Highway 2 in Comal County and was known as NRM 66B. L. W. Boyd was Superintendent for the contractor on this project during the concreting operations. For the State Highway De-partment, D. G. McKim was Resident Engineer.

New Baltimore Manager for Gar Wood

Stephen R. Faatz, former Manager of the Los Angeles branch of Gar Wood Industries, has recently been transferred to the Baltimore, Md., branch where he will occupy the same position, succeed-ing George F. Head, resigned. John B. Work of the Los Angeles office will take over the former duties of Mr. Faatz on





The Old Canal Days Will Return With the Widening of the Chesapeake-Delaware Canal to Take Ocean-Going Ships. A Scene on Burkett Construction Co.'s Part of the Job.

Progress on Ship Canal **Linking Coastal Cities**

Of vast importance to water-borne commerce and to military strategy in coast defense, the inland tips of Delaware and Chesapeake Bays are being linked by a new big-ship canal which will shorten the distance between Philadelphia and Baltimore by 286 miles.

The project is the deepening and widening of the old Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, connecting Elk River and Delaware City. The passage was dug in 1825, in the days when enthusiasm for inland water traffic first swept the eastern states. Now, under the direction of the War Department, this old artery is the War Department, this old artery is to be modernized into a sea avenue 250 feet wide and dredged to a 27-foot depth. The length, 14 miles, and the route will remain virtually unchanged. At present, the canal is 90 feet wide and 12 feet deep. The cost will be \$18,-144,000, of which a first allotment of \$5,107,000 has already been made.

Contracts totaling 4,500,000 cubic yards of excavation were let in eight equal sections to three contractors: Edward H. Ellis, Inc., Westville, N.J., five sections; Burkett Construction Co., Philadelphia, two sections; and Richards-Kelly Construction Co., Philadelphia one section

phia, one section.

Of the total excavation, 3,000,000 yards will be excavated in one 4-mile stretch of the canal. No locks will be necessary. The present bank cut at high tide is 9 feet above sea level. Construction plans will carry excavation down to 15 feet above sea level. In widening, the vertical cut will be 90 feet.

Excavation has just begun, with ten Excavation has just begun, with ten Caterpillar diesel Seventy-Five tractors, one Fifty and one Sixty-Five tractor, a diesel-powered shovel, eight 12-yard LeTourneau Carry-All scrapers and two bulldozers as the earth-moving

The work will be completed in one year. When finished, passenger, freight and naval vessels will have only a 94-mile trip between Philadelphia and Baltimore instead of the present 380-mile voyage, almost half of it in the

Efficiency and Safety Found in New Welders

The new Flexarc dc welder recently announced by the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., East Pittsburgh, Pa., em-& Mfg. Co., East Pittsburgh, Pa., embodies many improvements giving increased safety and efficiency. Equipped with a single-dial preset control with which the welding current can be set to the exact number of amperes, this welder maintains a constant arc in spite of speed changes of the driving motor caused by line fluctuations. Open circuit voltage, well below hazardous values, provides safety for the operator yet retains all the desirable arc charyet retains all the desirable arc char-acteristics usually associated with high open circuit voltage. The moment the arc is struck, the set adjusts itself im-mediately to the required preset value. The new set eliminates the use of

meters, exciter, rheostat, reactor, un-necessary pushbuttons, field discharge resistor, starter holding coil, and the conventional underframe. With the elimination of the exciter and its continual power consumption even when the welder is not operating, the no-load in-put to the machine over the entire range has been greatly reduced. Since weld-ing machines actually weld only an average of 50 per cent of the time they operate, the no-load losses are a major consideration in all-day efficiency.

Exhibitors at Road Show

The American Road Builders' Association has reported that on November 1, the list of companies planning to exhibit at the A. R. B. A. Road Show to be held in Cleveland January 20-24 was as

J. D. Adams Co.; Air Reduction Co.; Allis Chalmers Mfg. Co.; American Casting Co.; The American City Maga-zine; American Concrete Expansion Joint Co.; American Manganes Co.; American Manganese Steel Co.; American Sealdrok, Inc.; Anthony Co.; Armco Culvert Mfrs. Assn.; The Asphalt Institute; Athey Truss Wheel Co.; Austin-Western Road Machinery

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Barber-Greene Co.; The Barrett Co.;
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Knox Co.; Broderick & Bascom Rope
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Buckeye Traction Ditcher Co.; BucyrusErie Co.; Buda Co.; Buffelo-Swingfold Erie Co.; Buda Co.; Buffalo-Springfield Roller Co.; Byers Machine Co.

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D-A Lubricant Co., Inc.; Davey Compressor Co., Inc.; John Deere Co.; Dow Chemical Co.; Eaton Mfg. Co.; Electric Tamper & Equipment Co.; Electric Wheel Co.; Engineering News-Record; E. D. Etnyre & Co.; Euclid Road Machinery Co.; Evans Products Co., Fairbanks-Morse & Co.; Foote Co., Inc.; Four Wheel Drive Auto Co.; Fuller

Mfg. Co.
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Iron Works & Mfg. Co.; Gardner-Denver Co.; General Motors Truck Co.;
Geneva Metal Wheel Co.; W. S. Godwin Co., Inc.; Gorman-Rupp Gruendler Crusher & Pulverizer Geo. Haiss Mfg. Co., Inc.; Harnischfeger Corp.; Heil Co.; Heltzel Steel Form & Iron Co.; Hercules Motors Corp.; Hercules Powder Co.; Hetherington & Berner, Inc.; Highway Steel Products Co.; Frank G. Hough Co.; Huber Mfg. Co.; Hug Co.; Hyatt Roller Bearing Co. Ingersoll-Rand Co.; Insley Mfg. Co.;

International Harvester Co. of America; Iowa Mfg. Co.; Jaeger Machine Co.; Johns-Manville; Kalman Steel Corp.; Killifer Mfg. Corp., Ltd.; Kinney Mfg. Co.; Koehring Co.; Koppers Products Co.; La Plant Choate Mfg. Co., Inc.; The Lausen Corp.; Le Roi Co.; A. Leschen & Co.; La Plant Choate Mfg. Co., Inc.; The Lauson Corp.; LeRoi Co.; A. Leschen & Sons Rope Co.; R. G. Le Tourneau, Inc.; Lima Locomotive Works, Inc.; Little-ford Brothers; Lufkin Rule Co. Macasphalt Corp. of America; Medu-sa Portland Cement Co.; Michigan Power Shovel Co.; National Colortype Co.; National Paving Brick Assn.; Na-

tional Traffic Guard Co.; Northwe Engineering Co.; Novo Engine Co.; Ohio Oil Co.; Owen Bucket Co.; Pio when the control of t Equipment Co.; Reo Motor Car Co.; W. A. Riddell Co.; Roads & Streets.

St. Paul Hydraulic Hoist Co.; Sauerman Bros., Inc.; Schramm, Inc.; Scinman Bros., Inc.; Schramm, Inc.; Scintilla Magneto Co., Inc.; Signal Service Corp.; Sinclair Refining Co., Asphah Div. and Lubricating Div.; T. L. Smith Co.; Solvay Sales Corp.; Speeder Machinery Corp.; Spicer Mfg. Co.; Standard Oil Co. of Ohio; Sterling Machinery Corp.; Sullivan Machinery Co.; Thew Shovel Co.; Timken Roller Bearing Co.; Toncan Culvert Mfg. Assn.; Trackson Co.; Truscon Steel Co.; Tuthill Spring Co.; Twin Disc Clutch Co.; W. S. Tyler Co.

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The following companies will also exhibit: Butler Bin Co.; Diamond Iron Works, Inc.; J. D. Farasey Mfg. Co.; Good Roads Machinery Co.; Hargrave Construction Co.; Klauer Mfg. Co.; MacWhyte Co.; Marion Steam Shovel Co.; Rome Grader & Machinery Co.; Universal Crane Co.; Universal Power Shovel Co.



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Special Equipment Speeds Pouring of Concrete Sewer Pipe

By JOSEPH C. COYLE

A SIMPLE and effective means of pouring concrete, and of transporting it from mixer to forms, enabled the Torson Construction Co., of Phoenix, Arizona, to manufacture re-inforced concrete pipe for the new Phoenix storm sewer without the necessity of using elaborate and expensive equipment.

Two 1-yard metal pouring hoppers, made by the Allison Steel Mfg. Co., of Phoenix, were mounted on top of a steel trestle which was bolted to the rear of the chassis of two Ford trucks. This gave the hoppers enough elevation to pour the concrete, through a metal spout, by gravity. Loading was achieved by backing the trucks into a pit at the Smith mixer. Being pivoted on the base, the hopper and spout may be turned in any direction for pouring into the forms.

to the forms.

Setting up the metal forms in rows across the yard, and using two small Buckeye cranes for handling forms and pipe, excellent time was made in manufacturing the pipe. The latter remained in the forms for 24 hours to set. The forms were then lifted off, using a two-land metal pling, and the pipe was forms were then lifted off, using a two-band metal sling, and the pipe was covered with burlap and kept wet down with a hose for 7 days. The burlap was then removed and the pipe cured for 7 days more before being hauled to the

Reinforcing

All pipe 24-inch and over was reinforced. The steel reinforcing cages were also made by the Allison Steel Mfg. Co. also made by the Allison Steel Mfg. Co. Spacing bars cut to length were shipped from Los Angeles. Channels ½ x ¾-inch were used for reinforcing spacers in the larger pipe and ½ x ¾-inch flat bars in the smaller pipe. They were placed, 10 in a row, on a wooden bench, marked with measuring stick and soapstone, and then transferred to a Long punch press where the 1½-inch fingers for gripping the spiral rod were punched. The curve in the bars, caused by punching, was then taken out by slapping them on a section of I beam. They were placed in bundles of fifty, for transportation to the pouring yard, where special jigs were set up for assembling the cages. These jigs consist of from four to six 2 x 2-inch angles, grouped about a central post of 2-inch pipe, at the top and bottom of which grouped about a central post of 2-inch pipe, at the top and bottom of which was welded a metal disc, the pipe projecting a few inches below the bottom disc and being slipped inside a larger pipe, which was welded to a section of steel beam, sunk in the ground. This was so that the jig could be lifted off the base with a block and tackle while rolls of reinforcing and was allowed. rolls of reinforcing rod were placed about the base.

about the base.

At the two ends of these vertical angles sections of the same material were welded horizontally, pointing in towards the central post, and each slotted for most of its length to take short bolts, inserted through holes in the metal discs, and used to adjust the diameter of the jig for different sizes. diameter of the jig for different sizes of cage. The lower horizontal angles projected slightly outside the circle, and had a small slot in the flange into and had a small slot in the flange into which the lower end of the spacing bar was inserted. The upper end of the spacing bar was held against the angle by a coiled spring and hook, of which there was one for each angle. The spacing bars were placed with fingers up, and the roll of rod was then brought

Torson Construction Co. Used Simple, Effective Methods on Sewer Job for Phoenix, Ariz.

up into place and the fingers bent around it, using hand hammers. At the bottom of each angle a metal shield, with rounded edge, was placed to prevent the coiled rod from hanging as it was lifted from the ground. The finished cages were given an elliptical shape in a light press, a careful check being kept on shape and size.

Sheets for the forms were ½-inch thick and reinforced at the ends with 1 x 2-inch channels, curved and welded to the exposed side of outer or inner

1 x 2-inch channels, curved and welded to the exposed side of outer or inner forms. Handholds of rod were also welded to the exposed surface of the form sections and 1½-inch angles were tack welded at the edges, with holes through the flange for keying them together with slotted pins and tapering keys. In making the forms the curve was started in a specially built air press was started in a specially built air press and finished in a set of 5-foot rolls. The and finished in a set of 5-foot rolls. The stiffeners were then welded on and the sections were planed on a Woodward-Powell planer, and then fitted by hand. Two Wilson portable welders, and a General Electric welder were used in the plant.

Preparing the Trench

Work was started April 16th and about 2,000 linear feet of 54-inch pipe had been laid up to the end of July, using an Austin trencher for roughing out the trench and hand labor for levelout the trench and hand labor for leveling up for the pipe, which was handled to the trench with a Northwest dragline, equipped with a steel lifting hook, which was wrapped with 1-inch cotton rope to prevent breaking the corners of the concrete. Some shoring was used in the more unstable sections of the trench. The ditcher loaded into 3-yard dump trucks which hauled the waste for backfill, which was then leveled off with a Baker bulldozer mounted on an Allis-Chalmers tractor. Allis-Chalmers tractor.
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A rarsons trencher was also used as the job got into full swing. All trench 6 feet deep and under was dug by hand, giving employment to about 120 extra men. The deepest trench will be about 12 feet, with a maximum width of 7 feet. The sewer installation lies between 7th Street and 7th Avenue, south of Roosevelt. There will be 4 miles of 24inch to 60-inch pipe and 10 miles of smaller pipe, down to 8 inches. Pipe under 24-inch is not reinforced, and is manufactured by the Arizona Concrete Co. The length of pipe used varies from $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet in the smaller sizes to 6 feet

in the largest pipe. Owing to the very flat terrain the grade of the sewer will be only from 1 to 0.4 percent.

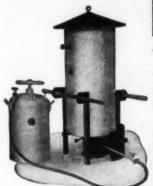
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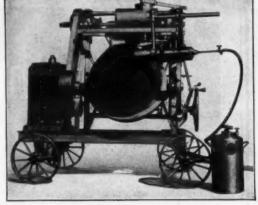
The Torson Construction Co., which is made up of C. M. and T. M. Torson, was awarded this contract on a bid of \$277,000. Fred F. Kerns is General Superintendent of construction and L. L. Craig is Superintendent in above of L. Craig is Superintendent in charge of the yard. C. E. Griggs is City Engineer and A. F. Harter, Field Engineer.



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A new 6-inch pump, built for dewater-ing or jetting and capable of working on 28-foot suction lifts with air-tight suction lines or producing a fire stream for jetting or water supply service, has been announced by Ralph B. Carter Co., Hackensack, N.J., as an addition to the Humdinger line. The pump, which has a capacity of 96,000 gallons per hour, is powered with a conversion of the Ford V-8 truck engine and is mounted on a rugged channel frame with four steel wheels.

The pump has full automatic ing, large air capacity for wellpoint work, no manually-operated valves, large clearances for the passage of solids, no complicated priming mechanism such as vacuum pumps, float chambers, clutches, chain drives, etc., and is built of abrasive resisting alloys with renewable wear plates.

Full information on this pump may be secured from Ralph B. Carter Co.

Hercules Body Taken Over by Specht

The Hercules body business has been taken over by G. K. Specht, manager of that division for the past several years, according to a recent announce-ment. Specht, who has been identified with the industry for many years, as-sumed control on November 1 and has made arrangements to operate under the name Hercules Body Co., con-tinuing operations for the present in the same location at the West Franklin

Street, Evansville, Ind., plant where the body operations have been carried on for the past few years.

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cludes about fifty standard models for various makes of trucks as well as special bodies built for truck manufacturers. The standard bodies are sold nationally through distributors.

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Work at Chas. Mill Dam of Muskingum Project

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and gravel and then filled with large rock to insure drainage to prevent any wash from water percolating through the dam.

The embankment material was wet down as required for maximum compaction by a Ford sprinkler truck. The outfit described placed an average of 4,000 cubic yards of material in the embankment per 15-hour day. The contractor worked three 5-hour shifts and employed a total of from 100 to 150 men on the three shifts.

Gravel Plant

The contractor purchased all the sand and gravel for the concrete work on the spillway from W. P. McCarren of Walhonding, Ohio, who set up a Cedar Rapids portable plant about ½-mile from the spillway site. Material was pulled in from the pit by a Sauerman with a Waukesha engine. The material was pulled onto an unusual grizzly. Instead of sloping upward as the scraper pulled the material forward it was sloped to one side so that it continually cleared itself of the large size stone. These were picked up by a man and loaded directly into a truck from the platform and disposed of at once. The grizzly was made of railroad rails spaced 9 inches apart.

Material passing the grizzly dropped into a hopper from which it was fed to an 18-inch belt 40 feet in length by a reciprocating apron feeder. The belt delivered the material to the 32-inch jaw crusher set to furnish 4-inch top size stone. A return feeder from the screens took the oversize back to the crusher. The first conveyor and the crusher were driven by a McCormick-Deering tractor.

Deering tractor.

From the crusher the material was taken by another 18-inch belt 60 feet long to the washing screens and sand washer. These units were run by a LeRoi engine mounted on top of the screen structure. The gravel contractor experienced some trouble with loss of fine sand of which there was a dearth in the bank anyway. To overcome this he extended the sand settling tank so as to give a slower water velocity which conserved the fine sand. The screens delivered the material in four sizes of stone. 16, 1, 2, and 4-inch top sizes

stone, ½, 1, 2, and 4-inch top sizes of stone, ½, 1, 2, and 4-inch top size.

A 4-inch centrifugal pump powered by a Waukesha engine delivered water under pressure for washing the stone in the screens. A Barnes triplex pump with a Hercules motor was used for high pressure water to wash out the trucks, and the plant itself when shut down.

This plant, operated under the direction of W. C. McKee, Superintendent, ran three 5-hour shifts a day, producing between 400 and 500 yards of material a day. The screened stone and sand were trucked from the bins to stockpiles at the four corners of a pair of Johnson batching plants and was handled by the general contractor from the stockpiles to the bins with an Insley crane and a 34-yard Owen clamshell bucket. Six of the contractor's 2-batch trucks hauled the batched material from the plant to the Foote 27E paver which mixed all the concrete for the spillway. The five bags of cement were placed on the batches near the gravel plant and were opened by two men at a platform located convenient to the paver.

Concreting

Forms for the concrete retaining wall for the spillway were made up in panels 4 feet wide and 4, 6, 8 and 10 feet long with 1 x 8-inch lumber and 2 x 4's for framing. When set up 4 x 4-inch wales



C. & E. M. Photo
Detail of Forms for the Spillway Retaining Wall

were used with double 2 x 4-inch studs on the outside. The front forms were lined with plywood and the back forms used unlined. A special Williams form clamp was used because of the batter of the concrete faces. The standard clamp used on the outside of the forms turns up with a hand bar against a small cast plate with lugs to prevent turning. The plates used on this work were cast wedge shaped so that the pull on the tie rods could be taken up in line with the rods.

Water for the Foote paver was stored in a 3,000-gallon tank on the hill where the auxiliary spillway is located. A Barnes or C. H. & E. triplex pump supplied the tank.

The concrete from the paver to the forms was handled by a Bucyrus-Erie shovel rigged as a crane and using an Insley 1-yard concrete bucket. The crane was rigged with the digging line of the dragline outfit made fast to the crane hook so that the bucket could be pulled toward the machine, thus making it possible to handle the bucket close to the crawlers of the machine and so save shifting the crane many times during concreting. This contractor has used this scheme on many projects and has found it a real time saver. As all the concrete was placed dry it was vibrated with a pair of Jackson vibrators of the new type with the 2-inch diameter vibrating end units.

Personnel

The Muskingum Conservancy Project is in charge of Major J. D. Arthur, Jr.,

Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., as District Engineer, with Theodore T. Knappen as Chief of the Engineering Division. The Charles Mill Dam is in the Loudenville Area, J. M. Belknap, Area Engineer and N. G. Fasnacht, Resident Engineer. R. E. Ryan, Roy Ryan, and Ralph Myers of Ryan and Myers of Campbellsburg, Ind., managed the contract themselves, in addition to their engineers and superintendents on the concreting and earthwork respectively.



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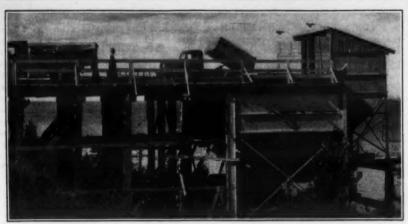
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Contractor Saves By Plant Set-Up

Road Equipment Adapted To Water Works Job a Boon to Kramp Con. Co. On Milwaukee Contract

ADAPTABILITY of cement and aggregate storage bins and batchers to suit the job and the landscape resulted in a substantial saving in the construction of a filtration plant for the water works of Milwaukee, Wis. Equipment which had been used on another project was brought into use under radically different working conditions, with plans so laid that all bin and batcher equipment could be continued in use on the water purification plant in use on the water purification plant project.

The job, which it is expected will be finished early in 1936, calls for water reservoirs and coagulation basins and includes thirty-two filters and a clear well. The filters are 10 feet deep, 46 feet wide and 57 feet long, capable of filtering 200,000,000 gallons of water a day. The clear well, which underlies the filters and into which the filtered water will flow, is to be 18 feet deep and 300x400 feet, and will have a capacity of about 13,000,000 gallons.

The entire plant is being built on land wrested from Lake Michigan by means of a cofferdam. The location is at the base of a sharp lake bluff, several at the base of a sharp lake bluff, several miles from a railroad, and could be reached only by trucks traveling through a residential section of the city, because of which special adaptations of equipment for handling bulk cement and aggregates had to be made by the contractor.

Set-Up of Bins and Batchers

Kramp Construction Co., of Milwau-Kramp Construction Co., of Milwau-kee, contractor for the project, had used his Butler bin and batchers in the construction of the Jones Island sewage works at Milwaukee, with a bucket elevator set-up, and with cranes unloading cement and aggregates direct from railroad cars into the mixing and storage bins.

On the water purification plant project, it was possible to do away with the crane-lifting operations. The location of the plant at the base of a steep lake bluff suggested the construction of a ramp from the top of the bluff di-rectly to the bins of the central mixing plant. Trucks backed onto a horizontal ramp and unloaded by gravity directly

ramp and unloaded by gravity directly into the hoppers.

Crane operating costs of from \$65 to \$75 a day were eliminated by the side-hill construction. Because all material had to be hauled to the site by truck, there was a decided saving in locating the plant under the hill, as unloading operations did not require an extra handling. The crane which had been used at the Jones Island plant was

used at the railroad tracks to load the

Although the mixing plant was operated at capacity, the storage bins were ample for the required output per

Handling Concrete

Bulk cement was brought to the job by truck, in 30-barrel loads. As the haul was through an exclusive resi-dential section, and operations at the job required continuous hauling day and night, the Milwaukee City Counand night, the Milwaukee City Council, after complaints about the noise by residents, required the contractor to erect a storage bin to hold sufficient material to take care of night work. A 450-barrel bulk cement storage plant

was erected near the central mixing plant to comply with the city order.

Concrete was pumped from the central mixing plant to the forms by pipe line, the minimum pumpage being 300 line, the minimum pumpage being 300 feet and the maximum 1,500 feet. Sevneet and the maximum 1,500 teet. Seven-inch pipe was used and the Pump-crete unit had a capacity of 24 to 50 yards an hour. Following the completion of each day's work, a "go-devil" was placed in the pipe line and a high pressure water pump turned on. This forced the mix from the pipes and left them ready for the next day's work.

Personnel

The construction of the Milwaukee purification plant is a PWA job, for which Kramp Construction Co., of Mil-waukee is contractor. Dan Krause is Superintendent in charge for the contractor. Both the Milwaukee City Water Department and the U.S. Engineer Corps assisted in the plans and supervision of construction.



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New Lincoln Personnel and Officers Announced

A new office in Peoria, Ill., and another in Memphis, Tenn., have been announced by the Lincoln Electric Co., of Cleveland, Ohio. The Peoria office is located at 923 So. Washington St., and is under the direction of W. I. Miskoe. Mr. Miskoe has been promoted from the Chicago sales force to his new work as Manager of the Peoria territory under G. E. Tenney, Chicago District Man-

The Memphis office will be under the direction of O. B. Farrell. Since Nov. 1, Paul M. Corp has been at the Milwaukee office, under the direction of George M. Johnson, District Manager.

Shifts in Byers Personnel

A. M. Byers Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., has announced the transfer of R. H. Gard-ner, formerly Division Manager of the Washington Office, to Pittsburgh as

Manager of Steel Pipe Sales. Simultaneously, E. L. MacWhorter, formerly Manager of the company's Philadelphia Division, moves to the Munsey Building in Washington, where he will head the combined activities of both division now known as the Washington Division Div District representatives will be main tained, as in the past, in Baltimore and Philadelphia, the latter address not being 1212 Commercial Trust Bldg.

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of the skimmer and the latter was able to up-end the ties with a straight lift in spite of the great frictional resistance between the tie and concrete, which the specifications required must remain in place without being cracked, broken otherwise disturbed.

Chiseling out the ends of the ties from top to bottom was a problem in itself. A special chisel was designed for use on a pavement breaker. Half a dozen shapes of blade were tried before one was of blade were tried before one was found that would work down readily and at the same time loosen the chips so that they could be lifted out. One side of the blade finally adopted is flat and the other rounded so as to automatically pry off the chip. The chisel blade is slightly tapered, being 2% inches wide at the bit and 2½ inches the shoulder. t the shoulder.

The chisel operators with their helpers followed behind the skimmer as it cleared the surface and removed the rails. When the ties were all chiseled out up to the skimmer, the latter was backed up a short distance, the boom backed up a short distance, the boom rung to the rear and the ties up-ended, whereupon it returned once more to its operations ahead without unnecessary ving.

One chisel operator with one helper o clear the chips from the hole chiseled out a tie in from 5 to 10 minutes. As there were six Ingersoll-Rand pavement breakers on the job and a good supply of chisels made up, a sufficient number could be put on the chiseling job at one time to keep right up with the skimmer as it worked on the existing paving block removal.

New Diesel Tractors Have Greater Power

The Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, The Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill., has announced four new diesel tractors to be known as the RD-8, RD-7, RD-6, and RD-4, and a spark ignition machine called the Thirty. The first three diesel models succeeded the diesel Seventy-Five, diesel Fifty and diesel Forty and are comparable with them in everything except power. They achieve greatly increased power through an ingreatly increased power through an increase in cylinder bore from 5½ to 5¾ inches and other refinements that have been made in the engine and fuel inection system.

As an example, the RD-4 consumes only 11/4 gallons of low-cost fuel oil in an hour. The old Thirty tractor burns and nour. The old Inity tractor burns about 4 gallons of gasoline per hour and its greatest speed is 3.6 miles per hour. The RD-4 and new Thirty have five speeds forward, the fifth being 5.4 mph. The standard tread is 44 inches and for wide gage models the tread is 60 inches.

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Superintendent Steves found the electric crane man with his machine rocking crazily as he attempted to pick up a 35ton lump of gran te to load it on one of the huge trucks which hauled the rock from the quarry to the railroad flat car which delivered it to the job. The crane managed to set it down on the truck and somehow or other another crane managed to get it onto the flat

Several hours later the Superintendent for the breakwater called Steves on the telephone. "What's the big idea of sending us a stone that weighs 35 tons?" sending us a stone that weighs 35 tons?"
he is reported to have shouted, though
we somehow feel that this may be an
abridged and expurgated version of his
remarks. "We can't get it off the car!"
Consequently the big stone was returned to the quarry, Powderman Wilson did a little block-holing, planted a
few cartridges in various selected holes

and a little bag powder in others.

Boom! The 35-ton stone went back to the harbor as two stones, without being removed from the flat car.

Upham Becomes Consultant on Maryland Roads

Dr. H. E. Tabler, Chairman, Maryland State Roads Commission, has announced the appointment of Charles M. Upham, Engineer-Director of the American Road Builders' Association, as Consulting Engineer to the Maryland Commission. Mr. Upham has assumed this additional work and is engaging in a series of conferences with the Commission relative to the current highway program in Maryland which will utilize all available Federal and state funds on highway construction projects in the immediate future. This enlarged program will provide the foundation for making the state highway system adequate for Maryland's rapidly growing local traffic as well as the heavy travel from the densely populated areas north and south.

Mr. Upham will continue as Engineer Director of the A.R.B.A. with head-quarters in Washington. The active en-gineering work of the Maryland State Roads Commission is directed by Nathan L. Smith, Chief Engineer.



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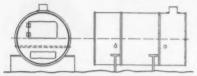
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How the Other Fellow Did It

Steel Drums for Heaters

During the completion of a 371 architecture built with blue-stone walls last winter at Stony Point, N.Y., where General Anthony Wayne performed one of the escapades that won him the title, "Mad," the contractor used three horizontal, wood-burning heaters made of old steel drums. They needed heat so that the workmen could continue in the cold windy days and also to dry out interior plaster and cement work.



and Side Views of Wood Burning Heater Made of Steel Drum

Rather than use coal-burning sala-manders which would have filled the air with fumes, they devised, with the aid of a handy welder, three gas-tight heator a nandy welder, inree gas-tight heaters from steel drums, about 35 inches long and 25 inches in diameter. From one head a rectangular opening was cut and a sheet metal door on hinges devised. Immediately below this a smaller rectangular slot was cut for an ash door. At the opposite end and on top of the barrel, a circular opening was cut into which a section of flue pipe was welded.

As wood was the fuel used, some kind of a grate was necessary. This was made of two or three rods run through about one-third of the distance from the bottom of the barrel, which rested on its side, and not on the ends, the rods

being welded in place.

A handy cradle to support the drum off the floor was made by cutting circular notches in T irons. The drums cular notches in T irons. The drums were set up about 10 feet from suitable openings where the flue could be run out so as to gain the additional heating area. The workmen reported "We were mighty comfortable in spite of the gales." But the life of the drums is ret length. not long.



Giving an Edge Bar Its Asphalt Dip

Novel Method of Dipping Edge Bars for Road Slab

372 In many states it is now the practice to dip the edge bars for reinforcing the outer edges of the concrete slab. This was done in a novel manner by "Red" Williams, the concrete slab. This was done in a novel manner by "Red" Williams, Superintendent for Russ Mitchell, Inc., of Houston, Texas, on a Brazoria Coun-ty contract. With bars approximately

of Houston, Texas, on a Brazoria County contract. With bars approximately 30 feet in length it is not easy to prepare a hot asphalt bath for the dipping. On this job the work was all done in a comparatively small space in the contractor's yard near the batching plant.

A pair of steel drums laid on their side were opened for the top third to permit placing the asphalt in one and sand for drying in the other. They were mounted on stones to allow a wood fire to be kept going underneath. The damp sand was shoveled into one and when

dried taken out for use in coating the

dipped bars.

The other drum had a 1½-inch pipe run through the two heads, dipping in the center nearly to the bottom of the the center nearly to the bottom of the drum. A slot in the top of the pipe permitted the asphalt to reach the bars as they were threaded through the pipe. The entrance end of the pipe was beveled to make it easy to hit the opening and the exit end had a pipe reducer which snugly fitted the bars. This acted to spread the asphalt smoothly over the entire rod and remove some of the excess.

The rods were then run through box of the dried sand with lips of metal at the entrance end so that the extra asphalt ran off into a bucket and could be poured back into the asphalt dipping A negro laborer with that na tive showmanship grasped the end of the rod as it came out of the sand box and when the far end was free gave the rod one flip which was sufficient to whip it onto the pile of coated rods. Two men with this outfit coated a carload of rods in less than a day.

Fat Spots on Asphalt Roads Avoided by Ingenuity

The problem of what to do with the first blow of asphalt from the nozzles of a distributor when applying asphalt and how to avoid the fat spots caused by the last material when the nozzle is closed is ever present

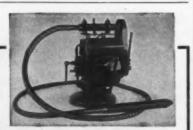
on all bituminous road jobs.

M. J. Carroll, contractor of Ocala,
Fla., devised a couple of ingenious
schemes to solve this problem on a
sand-clay and gravel base with asphalt
surface treatment job in Georgia last

Behind the distributor and below the spray nozzles the contractor placed a trough to catch the first blow from the nozzles when applying the asphalt. This trough was about 1 foot wide and 21 trough was about 1 foot wide and 21 feet long and when used a strip of manila paper was spread across the length of the trough and covered with sand to make it possible easily to dispose of the wasted asphalt without having to cut it out of the trough. The paper was simply thrown to the shoulder and later gathered up and burned. In blowing the truck at the end of a run, a half-round metal gutter, as used

run, a half-round metal gutter, as used for the eaves of houses, with manila paper placed in it and covered with sand was used to catch the last material and run it out on to the shoulder instead of permitting it to get onto the road surface and cause a "fat" spot. 478:34

In 1925, the total of state funds diverted to purposes other than highway improvement exceeded \$14,000,000. In 1933, the practice had become so widespread that the states diverted more than \$124,000,000 that year, or about nine times the amount in 1925. This means fewer roads and inadequate maintenance.



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Carbide Residue Used for Many Purposes

A waste product from oxy-acetylene welding, carbide residue, has real mar-ketable value. Most contractors simply empty their portable generators at the nearest convenient point and are en-tirely satisfied with the service they received from the carbide in an acetylene light or its use in combina-

acetylene light or its use in combina-tion with oxygen for welding.

The Linde Air Products Co., 30 E.
42nd St., New York City, has published a small 21-page booklet on the utility of carbide. Every contractor using oxy-acetylene generators should have one of these booklets just to know what he can do with the residue. It makes a good whitewash and formulae are given for interior and exterior weather-proof whitewash. It can be used in lime mortar for interior and exterior plasters, in concrete and stucco and it has many industrial uses such as improving the braking of hoist brakes.

A little carbide residue scattered on the floors of plants under bearings in engine pits and similar foundations soaks up oil and dirt. It is good for cleaning drainage pipes, it makes an excellent boiler lagging and unspent calcium carbide has come into quite common use for the quick thawing of ice which encumbers railroad frogs and ice which encumbers railroad frogs and switches, fire hydrants and similar equipment. Carbide residue also has a number of agricultural uses which may be of interest to contractors working outside of cities.

Know Your Hauling Costs

The large-capacity scraper-type of dirt moving unit which a few years ago reached prominence in the west is now used quite generally throughout the country. R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., Peoria, Ill., manufacturer of the Carryall scraper, has prepared two charts, the first of which gives the probable production and cost of earth moving when a 12-yard Carryall scraper is used and the second shows the grades over which the second shows the grades over which the scraper or LeTourneau Buggies may be pulled, loaded and emptied by a Caterpillar Seventy-Five.

Contractors with dirt-moving prolems on their hands should secure copies of these charts in order to be able to compare their dirt-moving costs eith compare their unit move of comparison with this equipment or in comparison equipment. The with this equipment or in comparison with their existing equipment. The charts were prepared by K. F. Park, a Civil Engineer, after intensive studies of a very large number of dirt moving operations with LeTourneau equipment.

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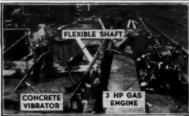
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New Highways in Asia Replace Caravan Trails

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District and Local Boards. In addition to the work of the Provincial Governments, the Government of India since 1930 has set aside for road development the proceeds of a tax on motor spirit, which fund is administered under the advice of a Standing Committee for

The road system of the Straits Set-lements, Federated and Unfederated lements, Federated and Unfederated States of British Malaya compares fa-vorably with the best highways of the world. British Malaya has a higher perentage of motor vehicles for its popu-ation than any other country in Asia, here being one automobile for every

In Netherland India, the Government spent about \$2,800,000 on highways in 1932. Since that time all Governmental expenditures have been slashed and highway appropriations very much reduced. The islands of Java and Madura are fairly well covered with roads, and northern Sumatra was to have been the center of most of the road construction, but the project has been set aside for the present.

Even in Afghanistan there has been

an awakening to the desirability of de-veloping roads and motor transport, as there are no railroads or waterways in the country. From meager reports it is learned that during 1932 and 1933 a road about 300 miles long was completed between Kabul to the Russian border which links up at Kabul with the 250-mile road between Kabul and Perhawar in porthers Ludia American Peshawar in northern India. American tractors and a few other units of road building machinery are now being used by the Government in constructing its

w roads. Iraq, the scene of the picturesque desert caravans, has a progressive highway plan of improvement, the budget appro-priations for highway purposes in 1932plan of improvement, the budget appropriations for highway purposes in 1932-33 amounting to about \$325,000 from funds accruing to the Government from royalties paid by the petroleum companies. As the only railway in Iraq does not connect with any railway system outside the country, regular motor transport service is maintained with the adjoining countries. Overland freight and desert freight and passenger motor services are maintained between Baghdad, Syria and Palestine over unimproved desert trails. A movement is now on foot to construct a modern road on foot to construct a modern road along the Mosul pipe line to connect points on the Mediterranean coast with lraq and Persia.

Syria under the French mandate has onstructed a fair system of roads. Most constructed a fair system of roads. Most of their recent work has been in the maintenance of existing roads and the construction of small sections of secondary roads. Adequate connections by road are maintained with Palestine and by one route over the desert to Iraq.

Persia, or Iran as it is now officially known, though handicapped by lack of funds, has made considerable progress during the past four years. Under an American Director General of Highways since 1930, many routes have been since 1930, many routes have been opened to traffic with other countries, over difficult mountain passes which over difficult mountain passes which are closed to traffic by snow during the winter months. As fast as routes are opened, motor transport is put into service, though such traffic still competes with the age-old camel and mule cara-

vans. Approximately \$1,000,000 each year is being spent on highways.

Turkey, with 6,101 miles of unimproved roads and 7,088 miles, graded and drained only, without surfacing of any kind, out of a total of 23,223 miles, leaves great room for improvement. Many miles of its improved highways Many miles of its improved highways are still not serviceable during wet weather. The only source of revenue for highways is the road tax. Ablebodied males between 18 and 60 are liable to a road service of from 10 to 12 days work or a payment of from 8 to 10 Turkish pounds in lieu of actual personal services. There is no gasoline or oil tax and no revenue is derived from land or property taxes for road from land or property taxes for road purposes. The government has not yet adopted the practice of issuing bonds for road construction.

The Philippine Islands, with only 2,158 miles of its 8,300 miles of highways unsurfaced, compares favorably with the United States and many other of the denser populated countries. This country's road system is an outstanding example of what can be accomplished in a tropical country by American can trained engineers, a moderate sup-ply of modern equipment, reasonably cheap labor and consistent regular ap-propriations from the income definitely earmarked for highway purposes. The construction and reconstruction of roads in the Philippines has done much to provide the Islands with an adequate transportation system and has opened up the markets of practically the entire

A brief survey of the areas and road mileages of the countries in Asia, based on figures supplied by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, shows how much room there is for further de-velopment of the road systems in most

of these countries

Country	Area		tes to
	Square Miles	Mileage	
			f Road
Afghanistan	250,965	1,561	160.8
Arabia	1,000,000	1,655	947.9
British India		225,280	4.9
British Malaya	52,608	5,868	9.1
Ceylon		17,002	1.5
China (Inc. M. & Mon.) 4.300,000	51,056	84.2
Chosen (Korea)		15,435	5.5
Fr. Indo-China	284,900	19.884	14.3
Hong Kong		377	1.0
Iran (Persia)		12,278	51.1
Iraq		4,652	30.8
Japan		594,626	0.2
Macao		64	0.7
Netherland India		35,900	20.4
Palestine	8,800	1.189	7.4
Philippine Is	114,400	9.453	12.1
Siam		1.383	144.7
Syria		5,705	12.9
Taiwan (Formosa)		9,750	1.4
Timor (Portuguese)		250	54.6
Trans-Jordan		569	35.1
Turkey		23,242	12.7
Total	9,498,323	1,036,579	9.2

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cavation itself. The three models available cut widths of 24 to 48 inches, depths up to 18 inches and are hauled by 30 or 65 tractors.

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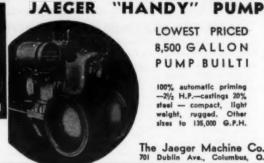
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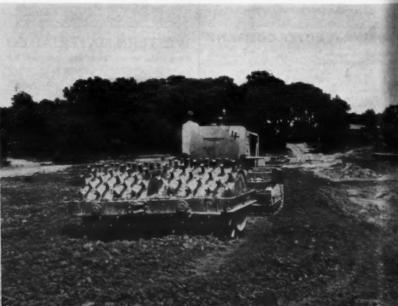




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